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ISAAC WALTON AND HIS CONNEXION WITH WILTSHIRE.

(*Continued from p.* 294.)

WILL OF ISAAC WALTON, Senior.

[P.C.C. 24 Hare.]

AUGUST the ninth one Thousand six hundred eighty three. In the Name of God, Amen. I, Izaak Walton the elder of Winchester being this present day in the ninetyeth yeare of my age and in perfect memory for which praysed be God but considering how suddainly I may be deprived of both doe therefore make this my last will and testament as followeth and first I doe declare my beleife to be that there is only one God who hath made the whole world and mee and all mankind to whome I shall give an account of all my actions which are not to be justified but I hope pardoned for the merrits of my saviour Jesus and because the proffession of Christianity does at this time seeme to be subdivided into papist and protestant I take it at least to be convenient to declare my beleife to be in all points of Faith as the Church of England now professeth and this I doe the rather because of a very long and very true friendship with some of the Roman Church[1] and for my worldly estate

[1] This will is printed in full in *Izaak Walton and his Friends*, in Hawkins' *Complete Angler*, and in some other works, but as our copy seems to have been more accurately made, and as the book may not be in the hands of many of our readers, we think it will bear reprinting. The testator makes this confession of faith, perhaps because through his intimate relations both by kinship and friendship with many who probably became Roman Catholics, and because doubtless the conscientious allegiance to their Sovereign bound both Catholics and Anglicans very closely together, he thought that he might be under suspicion of holding a

(which I have neither got by falsehood or flattery or the extreame cruelty of the law of this nation) I doe hereby give and bequeath it as followeth. First I give my sonne in law Doct. Hawkins and to his wife to them I give all my title & right of or in a part of a house and shop in Pater noster rowe in London which I hold by lease from the Lord Bishop of London for about fifty yeares to come and I doe alsoe give to them all my right and title of or to a house in Chansery Lane London wherein Mrs. Greinwood now dwelleth in which is now about sixteene yeares to come I give these two leases to them they saveing my Executor from all damage concerning the same and I give to my sonne Izaak all my right and title to a lease of Norington Farme which I hold from the Lord Bishop of Winton and I doe alsoe give him all my right and title to a farme or land neare to Stafford which I bought of Mr. Walter Noell I say I give it to him and his heires for ever but upon the condicion following namely if my sonne shall not marry before he shall be of the age of forty and one yeares or being married shall dye before the said age and leave noe sonne to inherit the said Farme or Land or if his sonne or sonnes shall not live to obtaine the age of twenty and one yeares to dispose otherwayes of it then I give the said Farme or land to the Towne or Corporation of Stafford (in which I was borne) for the good and benefit of some of the said towne as I shall direct and as followeth but first note that it is at this present time rented for twenty one pounds tenn shillings a yeare (and is like to hold the said rent if care be taken to keepe the barne and houseing in repaire) and I wood have and doe give ten pound of the said rent to bind out yearly two boyes the sonns of honest and poore parents to be aprentizes to some Tradesmen or handycraft men to the intent the said boyes may the better afterward get their owne liveing and I doe alsoe give five pound yearly out of the said rent to some maide servant that hath attained the age of twenty and one yeare (not lesse) and dwelt long in one service or to some honest poore mans daughter that hath attained to that age to be paid her at or on the day of her marriage and this being done my will is what rent shall remaine of the said Farme or land shall be disposed of as followeth: First I doe give twenty shillings yearly to be spent by the Mayor of Stafford and those that shall collect the said rent and dispose of it as I

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too favourable opinion of the old religion. However, Walton was of such a character that he does not seem to have confined his friendship to those of his own way of thinking, as it is said he was on friendly terms with, amongst others, "the brilliant, but superficial" Chillingworth, Barlow, the "Protestant" Bishop of Lincoln, and Peirse (son of John Peirse, a woollen-draper and sometime Mayor of Devizes), at one time President of Magdalen College, Oxford, and afterwards Dean of Salisbury, when he proved a veritable thorn in the side of Walton's friend Bishop Seth Ward; he died at North Tidworth, where he is buried with his wife, having composed his own epitaph. "His learning and controversial ability are undoubted, but his fierce temper provoked his opponents, and his works did more harm than good." *(Dict. Nat. Biog.)*

have and shall hereafter direct and that what mony or rent shall remaine undisposed of shall be imployed to buy Coales for some poore people that shall most need them in the said towne, the said Coales to be delivered the first week in January or in first weeke of February I say then because I take that time to be the hardest and most pinching times with poore people and God reward those that shall doe this without partialitie and with honestie and a good conscience and if the said Mayor and others of the said towne of Stafford shall prove soe negligent or dishonest as not to imploy the rent by mee given as intended and exprest in this my will (which God forbid) then I give the said rents and profitts of the said Farme or land to the Towne and cheif magastraits or governors of Ecleshall to be disposed by them in such manner as I have ordered the disposall of it by the towne of Stafford the said Farme or land being near the towne of Ecleshall and I give to my sonne in law Doctor Hawkins (whome I love as my owne sonn) and to my daughter his wife and my sonne Izaak to each of them a ring with these words or motto—love my memory I.W. obiet.—to the Lord Bishop of Winton a ring with this motto—a mite for a million, I.W. obiet.—and to the friendes hereafter named I give to each of them a ring with this motto—A friends farewell, I.W. obiet.—and my will is the said rings be delivered within forty dayes after my death and that the price or value of all the said rings shall be thirteen shillings and four pence a peece. I give to Doctor Hawkins Doctor Donnes Sermons which I have heard preacht and read with much content: to my sonn Izaak I give Doctor Sibbs his soules conflict and to my daughter his brused reed desireing them to read them soe as to be well acquainted with them and I alsoe give unto her all my bookes at Winchester and Droxford and whatever in those two places are or I can call mine except a Trunck of Linnen which I give to my sonne Izaak but if he doe not live to marry or make use of it then I give the same to my Granddaughter Anne Hawkins and I give my daughter Doctor Halls works which be now at Farnham to my sonn Izaak I give all my bookes not yet given at Farnham Castell and a deske of prints and pictures, alsoe a Cabinet[1] nere my bedstead in which are some little

[1] *See* illustration, p. 290. A writer in *Notes and Queries* (6th S. xii, p. 326) states that at an auction sale of carved oak furniture, which took place at Worcester on the 10th of October 1884, the auctioneers described in their printed catalogue a Curious Dower Coffer said to have come from the Cathedral precincts, Worcester, on the centre panel of which was inscribed: —*Izaak Walton and Ann Ken was joyned together in holie wedlocke on ye Eve of Saint Gregory, ano. MDCXLVII., dom.* Full particulars as to the cabinet will be found in Mr. Marston's *Complete Angler*. In Warwick Castle may be seen Walton's marriage chest. The inscription on it is:— *Izaak Walton Rachael Floud, Joyned Together In ye Holie Bonde Of Wedlocke on ye 27th Daie Of Decembere, A.* 1626. *D.*

We once were two, we two made one,
We no more two, through life Bee one."

(*Izaak Walton and his Friends*, pp. 125, 126.)

thinges that he will value tho of no great worth and my will and desire is that he will be kind to his Aunt Beachame and his Aunt Rose Ken by allowing the first about fifty shillings a year in or for Bacon and Cheese (not more) and paying four pound a yeare toward the boarding of her sonnes dyet to Mr. John Whitehead. For his Aunt Ken I desire him to be kind to her according to her necessity and his owne abilitie and I commend one of her children to breed up (as I have said I intended to doe) if he shall be able to doe it as I know he will for they be good folke. I give to Mr. John Darbishire the sermons of Mr. Anthony Faringdon or of Dr. Lunderson which my executor thinks fitt to my servant Thomas Edghill five pound in mony and all my Clothes linnen and wollen (except one sute of Clothes which I give to Mr. Holinshed and forty shillings) if the said Thomas be my servant at my death if not my Clothes only; and I give my old friend Mr. Richard Marriot tenn pound in mony to be paid him within three months after my death and I desire my sonne to shew kindnesse to him if he shall neede and my sonn can spare it; and I doe hereby will and declare my sonn Izaak to be my sole executor of this my last will and testament, and Doctor Hawkins to see that he performes it which I doubt not but he will. I desire my buriall may be neare the place of my death and free from any ostentation or charge but privately this I make to be my last will (to which I shall only add the Codicell for rings) this sixteenth day of August One Thousand six hundred eighty three Izaak Walton Witnesse to this will. The Rings I give are as on the other side.

To my brother Jon Kenn, to my sister his wife to my brother Doctor Ken to my sister Pye to Mr. Francis Morley to Mr. George Vernon to his wife to his three daughter to Mistris Nelson to Mr. Richard Walton to Mr. Palmer to Mr. Taylor to Mr. Thomas Garrard to the Lord Bishop of Sarum to Mr. Rede his servant to my cozen Dorothy Kenrick[1] to my Cozen Lewin to Mr. Walter Higgs to Mr. Charles Cotton to Mr. Rich. Marryot 22 [*sic*] to my brother Beacham to my sister his wife to the Lady Anne How to Mrs. King Doctor Philips wife to Mr. Valentine Harecourt to Mrs. Eliza Johnson to Mrs. Mary Rogers to Mrs. Eliza Milward to Mrs. Dorothy Wallop to Mr. Will. Milward of Christchurch Oxford to Mr. John Darbesheire to Mrs. Vnedvill to Mrs. Rock to Mr. Peter White to Mr. John Lloyde to my Cozen Greinsell widdow Mrs. Dalbin must not be forgotten. 16. Izaak Walton Note that severall lines are blotted out of this will for they were twice repeated and that this will is now signed and sealed this twenty and fourth day of October One thousand

[1] Through the family of Cranmer; in *Miscell. Gen. et Her.*, v, p. 63, 2nd series, one of the husbands given to a great grand niece of the Archbishop, Susanna, dau. of William Cranmer, is Edward Kenrick. See *W. N. & Q.*, iv, p. 292.

six hundred eighty three in the presence of us Witnesse—Abra. Markland,[1] Jos. Taylor Thomas Crawley.

[Proved at London 4 February 1683/4.]

WILL OF ISAAC WALTON, Junior.

[P.C.C. 244 Shaller.]

In the Name of God, Amen. I Isaac Walton Rector of Polshot and Cannon Residentiary of the church of Sarum being at this time thanks be [to] God as sound and perfect in understanding and memory as at any other time I ever need to be do hereby make this my last will and testament. First I bequeathe and resigne my soul into the hands of Almighty God its faithful Creator with the utmost Thanks that it can render for the comfortable hope whech I have that my many and grievous sins will be graciously pardon'd me through his great and free mercys in Christ Jesus my dear Lord and only Saviour I live at present and intend thro' God's Grace to dye in the Communion of the Church of England as it is at present by law established being according to the best measure of my understanding fully satisfied that she has reformed her self with that sound judgement and Godly sincerity as to be the soundest and purest part of the Church Catholic at this time existent most humbly asking forgiveness of her and of all Christian people for the manifold scandals which a very irregular negligent and most unprofitable Course of life[2] has too surely administered and most heartily praying unto God to preserve her against all attempts which are at this time especially made against her true Interest and Wellfare. My Body I bequeath to the Earth to be buryed at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named But with as little pomp charge or ceremony as well may be and as for the worldly estate of which by Gods Bounty I stand possessed at present I dispose and bequeath of it as followeth First I desire and order all my

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[1] Second son of Michael Markland, a druggist, born in St. Dionis Backchurch in 1645, educated at Merchant Taylors' School; here we find several of his name, four of whom perhaps were his sons, one George, an author, undoubtedly was; the above was a fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, also a prebendary of Winchester, and Master of St. Cross; he was twice married, and died in 1728; author of poems and sermons. James Heywood Markland, the antiquary, and Editor for the Roxburgh Club, who died in 1864, was a descendant, and published a *Life of Bishop Ken*. Both of them have memoirs in *Dict. Nat. Biog.*

[2] We know, however, that he is said to have been a very pious, sober, learned, inoffensive, charitable, good man. (*Notes and Queries*, 1st S., ix, p. 397.) His estimate of his own character seems worthless. Sir Harris Nicolas thinks that the allusion originated in extreme humility. I think it arose from ill health. (*Izaak Walton and his Friends*, p. 188.)

just debts to be satisfied and that being done I do give and bequeath Imprimis to my dear and loving only sister Ann Hawkins the elder all the Gold whether rings or Broad peices which I have. Item to my dear and good Neice Anne Hawkins the younger One hundred pounds. Item to my dear and good Nephew William Hawkins One hundred pounds and to my good Neice his wife fifty pounds. Item to my Three Cousins Elizabeth William and Susan Hoskins Children of Mathew Hoskins I do give and bequeath Thirty pounds to each of them and in case any one or two of the said Three cousins should dye before me his or their part or parts here bequeathed I do will and order to remain to the survivor or survivors of them. Item to my Aunt Mrs. Rose Kenne I give ten pounds To my cousin her daughter Mrs. Martha Krienberg Ten pounds to her husband Mr. Frederic Krienberg Ten pounds. To my Cousin Mr. Jon Baacham Twenty Guineas. To my Cousin Mrs. Elizabeth Farwell Ten pounds. To my Cousin Mrs. Mary Ireland five pounds. To my cousin Mrs. Anne Farwell five pounds. To Mrs. Bridget Lowe five pounds. To Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson formerly of Worcester five pounds. To all these last mentioned persons I say I do give and bequeath the Legacyes of Twenty Guineas of Ten and of five pounds respectively if they shall be alive at the time of my death and not otherwise. And I do also remit and forgive to all and each of the fore mentioned persons all or any summes of money which they or any of them shall appear to be indebted unto me. Item I give and bequeath unto my godson Isaac Walton[1] Twenty pounds to be paid to his Father or Mother if alive at my death otherwise to himself when he shall attain the age of one and Twenty years. Item I give and bequeath to the Fabric for the use of the Library of the Church of Sarum the summe of one hundred pounds to be laid out in an annuity or rent charge in Corn if it may be for some person to be named yearly by the Dean and Chapter to give such attendance there as they shall appoint or can agree upon. Item I give and bequeath to the said Dean and Chapter of Sarum the summe of fifty and five pounds to augment that summe which is in our accounts called the Sors Communarii. Item I do give and bequeath to the poor of the parish of Polshott five pounds and to the poor of the Close of Sarum the like summe of five pounds All which Legacyes I will and order to be paid in good and lawfull money of this Realm within a year and half after my decease and of this my last will and testament written with all my own

[1] Is this the Isaac Walton, M.A., who was instituted on 8 Jan. 1729, to the Rectory of North Waltham, Hants, on the death of Richard Walton, Patron, the Bishop of Winchester, and who exchanged it for that of Brixton, in the Isle of Wight, in the following year? (Gatty's *Winchester Institutions.*) In *Alumni Oxonienses* he is son of Richard, of Cold Waltham, matr. Magdalen Hall 1720; had a son Richard, who matr. at Queen's Coll. 1749. Was he any relation? A Richard Walton is mentioned in the Piscator's will.

hand, I do make my dear and only sister Mrs. Ann Hawkins sole executrix giving and bequeathing also unto her whatsoever of mine remains unbequeathed herein and in case it should so happen that this my executrix should dye before me I do then appoint my forementioned nephew and neice William Hawkins and Anne Hawkins jointly my executors giving and bequeathing unto them the remainder of my estate unbequeathed to be divided between them into three parts whereof my nephew is to have two Thirds and my neice one Third part. Isaac Walton. Signed sealed published and declared as the last Will and Testament of the within-named Isaac Walton in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as Witnesses to the same on the request of the said Isaac Walton and in his presence and in presence of each other. Edward Seale, Stephen Gaisford, Geo. Frome.

[Proved at London 14 November A.D. 1720, & admon. granted to William Hawkins, with similar grant reserved to Ann Hawkins junior "when she seeks fitt", Anne Hawkins senior being dead.]

WILL OF WILLIAM HAWKINS.

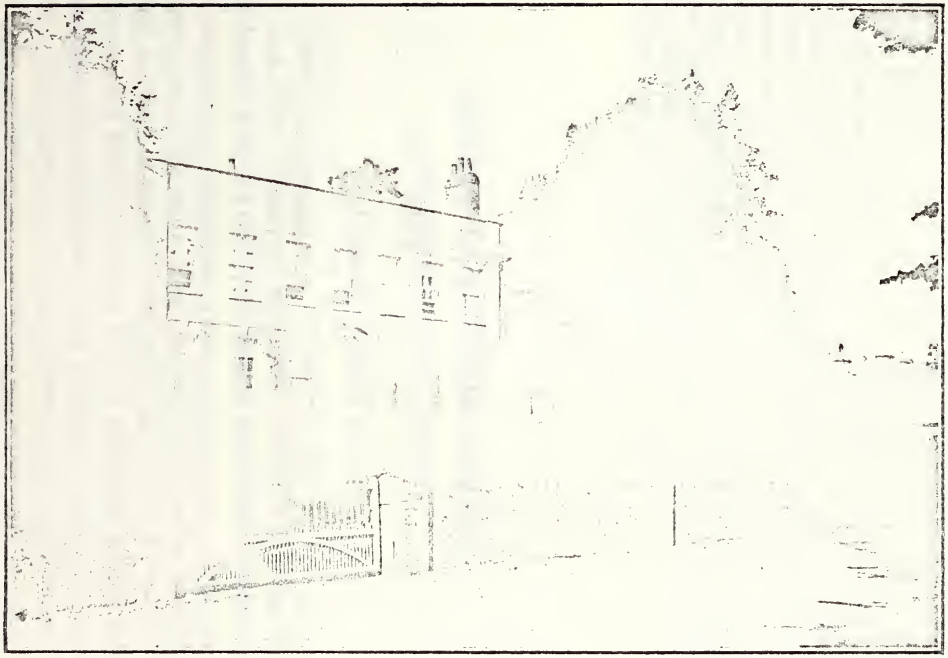
[139 VERE.]

My last Will and Testament, this 4th day of June 1691. William Hawkins[1] Prebendary of the Holy Trinity of Winton, and Rector of the Parish Church of Drekensford in the County of Southampton. Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Hawkins the su'me of one Thousand pounds to be paid unto her when she shall have attained to the age of Twenty and one yeares or upon the day of her marriage if it shall sooner happen, Provided that she be married noe otherwise than with the consent of her Mother. my dearly beloved Wife, Anne Hawkins the elder and her Uncle, my elder brother, Mr. John Hawkins, Fellow of Trinity College in Cambridge, and of her Uncle, my brother in law, Mr. Isaac Walton, Rector of Polshalt in the County of Wilts or the survivors or survivor of them. And if it shall please God that my foresaid daughter Anne Hawkins doe die before she arrive to the age of twenty and one yeares, or before she shall be married then my will is that five Hundred pounds being the one halfe of the aforesaid su'me of one Thousand pounds doe accrue and be paid to the use of my onely Sonne William Hawkins for the bettering of his Estate, and the other halfe being the same su'me of five Hundred pounds doe remaine to the Right and propriety of my aforesaid wife Anne Hawkins the elder, my Executrix. To my onely Sonne William Hawkins my House or Tenement scitnate in the Deanes Yard in Westminster wch I now hold by Lease from the Deane and Chapter of St. Peter's Westminster Also my impropriate Parsonage of Littleton, in the County of Southton which I hold by Lease

[1] Was Sir John Hawkins, author of *History of Music*, *Dr. Johnson's Life*, and Editor of *The Complete Angler*, any relation?

from the Deane and Chapter of the Holy Trinity of Winton. To my eldest and onely Brother of the whole blood Mr. John Hawkins of Trinity College in Cambrige the su'me of Tenn Guineas, and what single Author he shall please to make choice of in my Study of Bookes of how many Volumes soever it doth consist as a token of my brotherly Love and affection to him. To my brother Christopher Hawkins, as a token of my Love the su'me of Fourty shillings and to my brother Benjamin Hawkins fourty shillings and to his wife Twenty shillings and to my sister Mrs. Mary White Fourty shillings and to her Husband Mr. Peter White twenty shillings and to my Nephew Mr. John Wyat twenty shillings and to my Neece Mrs. Mary Wyatt twenty shillings and to my Nephew and Godsonne Wm. Wyat fourty shillings and to my Sister Mrs. Margaret Holmes Fourty Shillings and to her Husband Mr. Thomas Holmes Twenty Shillings, and to my Sister Mrs. Temperance Aylmer Fourty Shillings and to her Husband Mr. Brabason Aylmer[1] Twenty Shillings desiring them to accept of these small Legacyes as Tokens of my Love, but moderate Fortune. To my brother in Law Mr. Isaac Walton the Su'me of Tenn pounds as a Token of my Love and in Sence of the trouble wch by this my last Will and Testament I may charge upon him. To my especiall Friend and Kinsman Dr. Thomas Ken some time if not at this present Bishop of Bath and Wells the next Choice after my brother Mr. John Hawkins of whatsoever single Author he shall please to accept in my Study of Bookes of how many Volumes soever it doth consist. To the Cathedrall Church of Winton the su'me of five pounds to be expended upon some proper Good or Ornament either in the Church or Library leaving it to the discretion of my Executrix and those with whom she shall advise to see it soe performed. To the poore of

[1] Mar. Lic. 1578, Sept. 30, of St. Michael's, Cornhill, citizen and stationer, bachr., æt. 30, and Mrs. Temperance Hawkins, of St. Faith's, London, spr., æt. 22, parents dead, at Chelsea, Fulham, or St. Margaret's Westminster. He was great grandson of John Aylmer, the notorious Elizabethan Bishop of London, whose Life by Strype he published in 1701; he bought the copyright of *Paradise Lost* from Simmonds for £25, selling in 1663 half his right to Tonson, who in 1690 acquired the whole right. The Bishop's pedigree is entered in the *Visitation of Lincoln* 1592, and in that of London 1633-4; his daughter Judith married William Lynch, of Staple, co. Kent, whose pedigree is entered in the *Visitation of Kent*, 1663; in Langley Burrell church are M.I. to Aylmer Lynch (Rector, and Canon of Sarum), *nepotis Iohannis Aylmeri, Londinensis quondam episcopi*, 1691, aged 91, and Theophilus Lynch (the Bishop had a son of this name) 1668, and Ann his wife 1669; they were probably brothers, sons of William Lynch, of Staple, *see* his will pd. 1618-19. Was Edward Lynch, buried in Salisbury Cathedral 1669 a member of this family? In the *Visitation of Wilts*, 1623, James and Samuel Lynch, of Whiteparish in this county, are called *ignobiles*; they belonged to the Kentish family to whom Arms were confirmed in 1572. *See* some notes on Lynch in *Miscell. Gen. et Her.*, N.S., vol. iv.



WALTON'S HOUSE IN SALISBURY CLOSE.

Brooks, Sarum. *Copyright.*

the parish of Drexford five pounds to be distributed as my Executrix shall thinke fitt. To Mr. John Darbiesheire twenty shillings as a Token of my Love and to his wife Mrs. Frances Darbiesheire Twenty shillings and to his sonne William Darbiesheire my Godsonne Twenty shillings. All the residue, etc., to my dearly beloved wife Anne Hawkins sole Executrix. My very loveing brother Mr. John Hawkins and my very loveing brother in Law Mr. Isaac Walton Overseers. If my sonne William Hawkins or my daughter Anne Hawkins or her Husband that shall or may be hereafter or any of those persons before ment'oned to whome I have given any Legacyes shall directly or indirectly trouble my Executrix by any Act'on or Suite at Law or insist upon any doubt or Question which shall not be reconciled or determined by my said loveing brothers Mr. John Hawkins and Mr. Isaac Walton, they shall have noe benefitt or advantage hereof or hereby nor any Right or Claime to what is given or bequeathed to them in this my last Will and Testament. Wm. Hawkins. Sealed, signed, delivered this eleaventh day of July Anno Dom' one Thousand six Hundred Ninety and one in the presence of John Darbysheire. Simon Hatch. Peter Knight.

[Proved at London, 12 Sept. A.D. 1691.]

RECORDS OF WILTSHIRE PARISHES.

ERCHFONT WITH STERT.

(*Continued from p.* 365.)

EDINGTON CHARTULARY [*Lansdowne MS.* 442, *f.* 159].

A.D. 1362.—Henry of Rolveston, rector of the church of Orcheston, grants Thomas of Overton and Robert Gundewyne all his lands and tenements, rents, services, and reversions in Escote and Erchesfonte, which descended to him by hereditary right on death of his father, Nicholas de Rolveston; to hold to Thomas and Robert and their heirs of chief lords of that fee by accustomed service forever; with warranty against all men for ever. Witnesses, &c. Dated at Escote 16 July 37 Edward III.

EDINGTON CHARTULARY [*Lansdowne MS.* 442, *f.* 159^{b}].

A.D. 1362.—Edward by God's grace, &c., to all, &c. Whereas lately, at supplication of William, Bishop of Winchester, we licensed the Rector and brethren of Edington to

purchase lands, tenements, &c., to yearly value of £30 to maintain divine services in the Church of Edington according to the Ordination of said bishop, notwithstanding statute of mortmain, willing our foresaid concession to take effect, we grant licence to Thomas of Overton to assign his manor of Escote with appurtenances, which is not held of us, and is worth yearly according to its true value, 78*s.* 6*d.*, according to inquest returned into our chancery, to the Rector and brethren of Edington to hold to them and their successors in the value of 100*s.* yearly in part satisfaction of the foresaid thirty pounds worth of land; and to said Rector and brethren licence to receive the same from said Thomas. Tested at Westminster 22nd October, 37 Edward III.

IBID., *f.* 159^{b}.

A.D. 1362.—Thomas of Overton, son and heir of William of Overton, knight, grants to Rector and Brothers Regular of St. Augustine of Edington, all his manor of Escote, with appurtenances in co. Wilts, by licence of the king obtained thereon 100*s.* yearly to hold to them the Rector and brothers and their successors of the chief lords of that fee by service belonging thereto forever; with warranty against all men forever. Dated at Escote Monday next before the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, 37 Edward III.

IBID., *f.* 160. [*Also Feet of Fines, Wilts, File* 50.]

A.D. 1363.—Fine made at Westminster, in quindene of St. Hillary, 38 Edward III, between Rector of Edington, querent, and Thomas of Overton, deforciant, of manor of Escote and appurtenances. Thomas acknowledged right of Rector for 100 marks.

FEET OF FINES. WILTS. [*File* 51, *and Lansdowne MS.* 442, *f.* 160.]

A.D. 1365.—Fine made at Westminster in the octave of St. John the Baptist, 40 Edward III, between Michael Skillyng

and William Werston, plaintiffs, and John de Rycote and Matilda his wife, and Nicholas, son of William the clerk of Lavynton, deforciants, of 2 messuages, 3 virgates of land and pasture for 2 horses, 10 oxen, and 150 sheep, with appurtenances in Estcote and Erchesfunte. The right of Michael was acknowledged to hold said tenement and pasture to him Michael, and William and heirs of Michael of chief lords of that fee for the service belonging thereto. For this acknowledgment Michael and William gave John and Matilda and Nicholas 20 marks.

INQUISITION POST MORTEM. [40 *Edward III, 2nd No., m.* 22.]

A.D. 1365.—Inquest made at Asshton, co. Wilts, 5 October, 40 Edward III. The jurors say that it is not to the damage of the lord king, or of others, if he grant to Michael Skyllyng and William Worston licence to assign 2 messuages, 3 virgates of land and pasture for 2 horses, 10 oxen, and 150 sheep, with appurtenances in Estcote and Erchesfunte to Rector and Brethren of the House of Edington to have and hold to them and their successors forever. They say that the messuage, land and pasture is held in chief of foresaid Rector and Brethren as of their manor of Estcote by service of 5*s.* and suit of court of Estcote from 3 weeks to three weeks, and of paying to Sheriff of Wilts for the time being 10½*d.* yearly at the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary. The two houses, 3 virgates of land and pasture of two horses, &c., are worth yearly in all issues, according to their true value beyond foresaid services 26*s.* 9*d.* They say that Michael Skyllyng holds a messuage and carucate of land with appurtenances in Cherleton, co. Wilts, worth 40*s.* yearly; and William Worston holds 2 messuages and 2 carucates of land with appurtenances in Compton of the Queen of England worth yearly 60*s.*, besides the donation aforesaid, sufficient to maintain all customs and services due for foresaid messuages, land, and pasture, as for the others remaining to them. In witness, &c.

EDINGTON CHARTULARY. [*Lansdowne MS.* 442, *f.* 160.]

A.D. 1365.—Edward by God's grace, &c., to all, &c. Whereas we granted licence to Rector and Brethren of the House of the Order of St. Augustine of Edington on 6th May in 38th year of our reign to purchase lands, &c., to the value of £10 yearly, and on 25th September last licence to acquire lands, &c., to the yearly value of £40; We have granted licence to Michael Skylling and William Worston to assign 2 messuages, 3 virgates of land and pasture for 2 horses, 10 oxen, and 140 sheep, with appurtenances in Escote and Erchesfunte, co. Wilts, and to John of Blebury and others to grant property in Coleshull, Wilts, and in Burghwardescote, co. Berks, worth £42 13s., besides other property, to said Rector and Brethren of Edington in satisfaction of above said amounts. Tested by the King at Westminster 8 October, 40 Edward III.

FEET OF FINES. WILTS. [*File* 51.]

A.D. 1366.—Final concord made at Westminster in quindene of Michaelmas, 41 Edward I, between John Auncel, junior, plaintiff, and John de Vernoun, knight, and Joan his wife, deforciants, of a messuage, a toft, a carucate of land, 2 acres of pasture, 8 acres of wood, and 12*d.* rent, with appurtenances in Escote, Stokewyke and Erchesfunte. The right of John Auncel and quit-claim and warranty to him and his heirs against all men forever. For this John Auncel gave John de Vernoun and Joan 100 marks.

WILTS. LAY SUBSIDIES. 196/6. [*Inquests for Knight's Fees in Wilts.* 17 *and* 18, *Ed. II.*]

SWANBERGH HUNDRED.—John de la Mare held half a knight's fee in Sterte of the king of the Barony of Castelcombe, now Hugh Despenser, Earl of Winchester, holds it.

IBID., 196/7.

[*Taxation of a twentieth part*, 1 *Edward III.*]

HUNDRED OF SWANEBERGH.

ESCOTE.

	s.	d.		s.	d.
From John Balbo ...			From Ralph the Tyeler ...		
,, Thomas Curtays ...			,, Geoffrey the Clerk		
,, Margery of Escote			,, John Hervy ..		
,, Walter Balbo ...			,, Robert atte Styele		
,, Thomas the Swon			,, Walter the Skynnere		
,, Cristina la Daye ...					
,, Nicholas the Devenyssch ...			Sum 21*s.* $6\frac{1}{4}$*d.*[1]		

WEDHAMPTON.

From John the Preste ...	2	0	From John le Eyr ...	2	2
,, Laurence in ye Mersch ...	3	0	,, William Pillyngis		$17\frac{3}{4}$
,, Robert le Pewe ...		6	,, John Stylle ...	6	0
,, John Edmond ...	7	0	,, John Shepherd ...	6	8
,, Walter in the Herne	2	6	,, Reginald Eyre ...	2	0
,, John Honyman ...	2	0	,, Ralph le Pew ...		6
,, Walter Honyman		6	,, John le Frend ...	2	6
			Sum 38*s.* $9\frac{3}{4}$*d.*		

ERCHESFONT.

From William Nicole ...		17	From Laurence Dwelye	2	$3\frac{1}{4}$
,, Robert Grele ...		13	,, John Coffis ...	2	0
,, Alice le Bete ...	5	$3\frac{3}{4}$	,, Agnes Baldewyne		12
,, John atte Well ...	5	0	,, John atte Putte ...		10
,, John Dorenal ...		6	,, Elia Dosulz ...		6
,, John atte Lupechete		6	,, Reginald Dyngis ...	2	0
,, Walter Hagge ...		18	,, Edmund le Sopere		6
,, John the Persones		9	,, Alice Frankelayn ...	2	0
,, William the Novel		6	,, Walter Frankelayn	4	0
,, John the Smyth ...	8	0	,, Thomas Cowman ...		6
,, Peter Dance ...		6	,, Walter Wegge ...		6
,, John Peverel ...		15	,, Thomas Maynard		6
,, Geoffrey Bacheler		18	,, Walter Chepman ...	3	4
,, William the Hone	2	0	,, Richard Faukes ...		12
,, Thomas Cutte ...		8	,, Walter Grenewey		6
,, Walter the Porter		6	,, William of Stokes		15
,, Alice Symond ...	4	4	Sum, 58*s.*		

[1] The details of the sums against the names of the inhabitants of this tything have been lost, as they occur at the edge of the parchment, which has been torn away.

STERTE.

	s.	d.		s.	d.
From Margery of Batelesmere	11	0	From John the Hert ...		8
„ Richard the Best ...	2	0	„ Walter the Hert ...		18
„ John Jones ...		20	„ William atte Hethfeld	2	0
„ Peter Pye		6	„ Nicholas Boveclyve		12
„ Alice Pouwer ...		6			
„ John Pouwer ...		15	Sum, 22*s.* 1*d.*		

IBID., 196/8. [*Collections of* 10*ths and* 15*ths*, 7 *Edward III.*]

HUNDRED OF STOUDFOLDE.

WEDHAMPTON.

From Henry the Prest ...	10	0	From John Edmond ...	11	0
„ John Onyman ...	3	0	„ Laurence in the Mersch ...		12
„ William Pyllyngis	5	0	„ Ralph Pyw ...	3	0
„ John the Heyr ...	2	0	„ Peter Harefout ...	10	0
„ John Stille ...	7	4			
„ Robert Ere ...	3	0			
„ Walter Hurn ...	3	5	Sum, 58*s.* 9*d.*		

ERCHESFONTE.

From Laurence Dwelye...	6	0	From Denys Baldewyn...	3	0
„ William Bonde ...	2	0	„ Reginald the Prest	6	0
„ Richard the Forester	3	6	„ John Warner ...	6	6
„ William Foghel ...		20	„ William of Stokes	3	0
„ William Dorsete ...	3	4	„ William le Bole ...	2	0
„ Walter Porter ...		8	„ William Pyllyngis	2	0
„ John Cope ...	3	0	„ William Avered ...		12
„ Geoffrey Bacheler	5	0	„ William Whytyngis		20
„ William le Hore ...	6	0	„ William Nichole ...		8
„ Walter Chepman...	5	0	Sum, 62*s.*		

ESTCOTE.

From Thomas of Aston ...	13	2	From Thomas Bole ...		20
„ John Balhon ...		18	„ Richard Britt ...	4	0
„ Thomas Stoyn ...	2	6	„ John Polayn ...	6	8
„ Peter Doget ...		12	„ Robert atte Stygehele	3	0
„ Walter Werlond ...		12½	„ William le Wykis		8
„ Walter le Bole ...	2	0	Sum, 38*s.* 10½*d.*		
„ John Heruy ...	2	0			

STERTE.

	s.	d.
From Margaret of Badelesmere ...	14	8
„ John Cooffis ...	2	6
„ Walter Haresfout	2	0
„ John Heyward ...	2	0
„ John the Man ...		12
From John Phelipp ...		8
„ Nicholas Boveclyve		12
„ William atte Hethfeld	3	0
„ Richard the Best ...	2	0
Sum, 28*s.* 10*d.*		

LAY SUBSIDY. WILTS, 196/16.

[*Particular account of Robert Selyman and other assessors and venditors of the ninths of sheaves, fleeces and lambs in Wilts, 14 Edward III.*]

HUNDRED OF STODFOLD.

		li.	s.	d.
ERCHESFONTE	From the ix^ths of the sheaves, fleeces and lambs of the parish church of Erchesfonte taxed at 38 marks with the portion within the same ..	13	6	8
	From the ix^ths of the portion of Malvern in Sterte taxed at 30*s.* ..		10	0
	From the ix^ths of the sheaves, &c., of the Abbess of B. Mary of Wynton	4	0	0

IBID., 196/16^a.

[*Account of the same Assessors (? 14 or 15 Edward III).*]

HUNDRED OF STODFOLD.

ERCHESFONTE.	li.	s.	d.		
taxed at sum for the rector .. sum of the other profits ..	26	3	4	John Hervy William Stoke	parishioners there upon their oath say that the ix^th of the sheaves, &c., are worth this year 6*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and not more. The rector there has rent and pasture worth 20*s.*
	17	16	8	John le Eyr Richard Honyman	And a park in demesne 6*s.* 8*d.* And hay of the tithing 100*s.*
	22	10	0		And flax 40*s.* And the altarage and lesser tenths with a tenth of the mill, &c., are worth yearly 6*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

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Item, it is presented that within the same is a certain prebend whereof the ix^ths^ of the sheaves, &c., are worth this year *6li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and not more, because the prebendary has the rent tenths of hay and flax and lesser tenths which are worth yearly *6li.*

Item, the Abbess of B. Mary of Winton has within the same a certain portion, the ix^th^ of which is worth this year *4li.*

Item, it is presented that the ix^th^ of the portion of Malverne in Sterte within the same is worth this year 10*s.* and not more, because the hay of the tithing there this year is worth 30*s.* There is no other benefice there nor anything taxable for the xv^th.^

Inquisition of the Ninths. [*Calendar, p.* 157. 15 *Edward III.*]

Extent of the Church of Erchesfont, 20 marks.
Extent of the prebend of the same township, 18 marks.
Extent of the portion of Malvern in Sterte.

Inquest taken before Robert Seliman and his associates, venditors and assessors of the ninths of the sheaves, fleeces, and lambs at Marlborough, the Sabbath or feast of St. Matthew, 15 Edward III, by oath of John Hervy, William of Stoke, John le Eyr and Richard Honyman, parishioners of the same, who say that the ninths of the sheaves, fleeces and lambs are worth yearly 10 marks less than the taxation because the rector of the church has in demesne 9*s.* rent yearly; the pasture he has in demesne is worth 20*s.*; and a park worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*, and the hay of the tything worth 100*s.*, and the flax 40*s.*; and the altarage, mortuary fees, with other lesser tenths, viz., of calves, young pigs, geese, clover, hives, cheeze, milk, the mill, &c., are worth yearly 10 marks. And thus the church of Erchesfonte at true value is worth *22li.* 2*s.* 3*d.*, whereof to the lord king 10 marks. And there is there a prebend in the same township whereof the ninth part of the sheaves, &c., is worth yearly 10 marks, the less because the prebendary has there 6*s.* 6*d.* yearly rent. And the 10th of the hay is worth yearly 60*s.*, and of the flax 20*s.*, and the lesser

tenths are worth yearly 23*s.* 6*d.* And the portion of the Abbess of B. Mary of Winton there, viz., the 9th of the sheaves, fleeces and lambs, is worth yearly 6 marks, and it belongs to said prebend, and thus the prebend is worth at its true value 25 marks, whereof to the lord king 10 marks. Item the 9th part of the sheaves, fleeces and lambs is worth this year 10*s.* less than taxation because the hay of the tithing is worth 30*s.* from the portion of Malvern in Sterte. In witness whereof they have put their seal.

IBID., 196/38. [*Poll tax*, 51 *Edward III.*]

Received from township of Escote 12*s.* for 36 lay persons dwelling there.

Received from township of Stert 21*s.* 8*d.* for 65 lay persons there.

Received from township of Erchesfont 69*s.* 8*d.* for 209 lay persons there.

Received from township of Wedhampton 21*s.* 8*d.* for 65 lay persons there.

IBID., 196/49. [*Collections of XVths and Xths*, 12 *Richard* II.]

HUNDRED OF STODFOLD.

From Wedhampton ..	31*s.*	From Escote	24*s.*
„ Erchesfonte ..	35*s.*	„ Strete	15*s.*

COURT ROLLS OF URCHFONT (*formerly belonging to the Abbess of St. Mary, Winton*). [*Brit. Museum Add. Rolls*, 26906-8.]

Erchfunt. Court held there 10 February, 1 Richard II.

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ESCOTE.—Homagers present the Rector of Edington tenant of land late of William of Overton, free suitor, and of William Byde, clerk, and William Auncel, free suitors, who are to be distrained for several defaults of suit of court.

VRCHFONT.—Homagers present the default of John Howman. Also that (the houses? of) Simon Denge (vj*d.*), John Bouch (*id.*), Henry Sturwow (ij*d.*), Thomas Tayllour, Peter

Carpenter (iij*d.*) are ruinous and wanting repairs, therefore they are in mercy, and they are to repair them before next court on pain of iis. each. That William Tere puts his manure outside (?) his house in Gatham strete to annoyance of the Lady and his neighbours, and Thomas Curtes dug a common way without licence towards his house and put manure in street there, and William Mayn cut down branches of trees towards his house, growing on the common without licence of the Lady. Therefore in mercy.

John Peche in mercy because he defaulted in suit against John Simond, therefore John Simond shall recover vj*d.*

Wedhamton.—Homagers present that cows of the Lady grazing in coppice of Foxle have done great damage there through the fault of Robert in the Mersh, reaper, and William his son, keepers of said cows, therefore they are in mercy. Also that said Robert took the Lady's hay to his own use in the meadow of Filk to the value of i*d.*, and that he cut down and carried away twigs in wood of Foxle and sold them. And Robert being present in court puts himself on the Lady's grace.

On same day comes John Bele and surrenders into the Lady's hand a cottage with curtilage to use of William Wodewe and Matilda his wife, who give 2*s.* 6*d.* fine for entrance to the Lady, to hold to them by custom of the manor for yearly rent of 4*s.* at usual terms and harvesting for 1 day in autumn Lady's corn, and pannage for pigs, and they take their oath.

Murrain. Carion-men[1] present 1 male heifer, 14 sheep, 9 ewes, 1 ram, 31 hogsters, in the whole year one pig dead of murrain on account of no fault.

From attachments of the Woodward, as appears by extracts delivered him, 6*s.* 1*d.*

From attachments of the Reaper, as appears by extracts delivered him, 9*d.*

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[1] *Caddaveratores*, or more correctly *Cadaveratores.*

On this day came Walter Smyth and surrendered into the Lady's hands a messuage with arable land, called Acremana-land, to use of Richard Spycer from whose surrender no heriot falls as it is not heriotable. And on this Richard gives 3*s.* 4*d.* fine for entry; to hold it for rent of 9*s.* yearly, to be paid at the usual terms in equal portions, and he shall wash the Lady's sheep with the other tenants and give tallage, and shall have pannage for his swine. And he took the oath.

Sum 6*s.* 1*d.* Whereof from fines of land, 5*s.* 10*d.*

Another Court was held at Erchfonte on Wednesday, feast of St. Dunstan, 1 Ric. II. Names of homagers and tenants mentioned:—

Thomas Mas	Simon Denge	William Shephurd
John Leyr	William Hopere	John Hare, and Alice his wife
John Dokeman	John Hore	Thomas Taylor
John Fideman	William Auncel	John Cuyte
John Porter	William Ters	Rober Smyth
Laurence Skynner	Thomas Curtes	William Ere
John Case	John Arnold	
John Pleyer	Henry Sterwold	
John Champion	John Smyth	

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(To be continued.)

A CALENDAR OF FEET OF FINES FOR WILTSHIRE.

(*Continued from p.* 376.)

Elizabeth.

64. Anno 2.—Vincent Goddard and Anthony Goddard *and* James Stompe, knt., and Isabella his wife, Henry Baynton and John Goddard, arm.; the manor of Temple Rokeby, with messuages and lands in Temple Rokeby.

65. Anno 2.—Peter Grene *and* William Sheperd and Edith his wife; fourth part of a messuage and lands in Mere.

66. Anno 2.—John Eyre, arm., Thomas Longe and Thomas Wright, gen., *and* Thomas Hall, arm.; the manor of Forde, with messuages and lands in Forde, Westwoode and Bradford.—£140.

67. Anno 2.—John Scott *and* Andrew Blackman and Elianor his wife; messuage and lands in Chippenham. £80.

68. Anno 2.—John Byckerton *and* Thomas Baskott, arm., Bridgett his wife, and William Rycheman, *als.* Webbe; messuage and lands in Lydyard Myllysent and Braden.

69. Anno 2.—George Prater *and* Michael Quynteyne, gen., and Margaret his wife; messuages in Lydyarde Treygoose and Cancourt. 430 marks.

70. Anno 2.—William Rede and Robert Tytherley, gen., *and* Roger Fynamore, gen.; messuages and lands in Comerforde, *alias* Quemforde, Cherell, and Calne, with common pasture in Comerforde, *alias* Quem'forde, Cherell, and Calne.

71. Anno 2.—William Norborne *and* John Jones; lands in Calne. £40.

72. Anno 2.—Richard Myddelcote *and* Christopher Kyrton; messuages and lands in Corseley magna, and Cley, with a third part of a water mill and lands divided in three parts in Upton, Skydmore, and Smalbroke. £40.

73. Anno 3.—William Batten, arm., *and* Katherine Webbe, widow; messuages and lands in New Sarum. £200.

74. Anno 3.—William Moggeridge, gen., and William Mundye, gen.; messuage and land in Stratford. 20 marks.

75. Anno 3.—Richard Colman *and* John Yonge and Margaret his wife; messuage in the town of Marlborough. 40 marks.

76. Anno 3.—Gerard Eryngton, arm., and Cuthbert Horsley, arm., *and* Edmund Chawsey, manor of Porton *als.* Byrdlyme; messuages and lands in Idmeston, Winterslowe and Porton *als.* Byrdlime.

77. Anno 3.—Hugh Stukeley, gen., *and* Edward Essex, arm., and Anna his wife; the manor of Axforde *als.* Axforthe,

messuages and lands, free warren, and free fishing in Rammesbury. 650 marks.

78. Anno 3.—Anthony Coward, gen., *and* Francis Bellett, gen., and Anna his wife; manor of Harth'm, and messuages and lands in Harth'm. 260 marks.

79. Anno 3.—John Stanysmore *and* Henry Blanchard; land in Barwick St. John, and common of pasture in Ayshcombe. £20.

80. Anno 3.—John Carpynter *and* Edward Knoylle, arm.; messuages and lands in Burford St. Martin. 40 marks.

81. Anno 3.—Anthony Ayleworth *and* Henry Cove and Dorothy his wife; messuages and lands in Ashton Keynes and Lighe. £40.

82. Anno 3.—William Newcombe *and* James Free, *alias* Harryson, yoman, and Agnes his wife; messuages and lands in Rimiford (?) and Eduetinssam (?). £40.

83. Anno 3.—William Danyell *and* William Earl of Pembroke and Anna his wife; messuages and lands in Manton, Presshut and Wilford. £60.

84. Anno 3.—Christopher Dodyngton *and* Christina Aleyn, widow; messuages and lands in Mere, Merewood and Bourton.

85. Anno 3.—Richard Frankelyn, senr., *and* William Earl of Pembroke, and Anna his wife; manor of East Kennett, messuages and lands in East Kennett and West Kennett. £162.

86. Anno 3.—William Husee, arm., *and* Henry Trenchard, arm.; a third part of messuages and lands in New Sarum, Fissherton Anger and Clesborne Wake. 130 marks.

87. Anno 3.—Richard Lambart *and* Henry Earl of Arundell and John Lumley, knt., Lord Lumley and Jane his wife; manors of Shernton, *als.* Sherynglon, *als.* Sheryndon, Keveleigh, *alias* Kevell, Bulkyngton, *als.* Buckyngton, Boyton and Orcheston St. George; messuages and lands in Shernton, *als.* Sherynglon, *als.* Sheryngdon, Codeford, Keveleigh, *als.*

Kevell, Bulkyngton, *als.* Buckington, Boyton, Corton and Orcheston St. George, as well as the advowsons of the churches of Sheruton, *als.* Sherynglon, *als.* Sheryndon, Keveleigh, *als.* Kevell, Boyton and Orcheston St. George. £2,313.

E. A. Fry.

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QUAKERISM IN WILTSHIRE.

III.—BIRTH RECORDS.

Second Series—1700 to 1750.

(*Continued from p.* 374.)

R.

1700-11-16.—At Melksham, Clare Rutty, son of John and Heaster Rutty, of Melksham, shopkeeper.

1703-10-3.—Esther Rutty, dau. of John and Esther Rutty, of Melksham.

1703-12-26.—Mary Ryly, dau. of Daniel and Elizabeth Ryly, of Eaven.

1704-4-7.—Charles Rose, son of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1705-9-27.—Daniell Reynolds, son of Thomas and Sarah Reynolds, of Brinkworth.

1706-4-11.—Elizabeth Ryley [Rily], dau. of Daniel [Daniell] and Elizabeth Ryley [Rily] [of Avon], Christian Malford ph.

1706-6-13.—Thomas Rose, son of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1707-9-29.—Elizabeth Rynolds, dau. of Thomas and Sarah Rynolds, of Brinkworth.

1708-5-10.—Joan Rutty, dau. of John and Heaster Rutty.

1708-7-11.—John Rose, son of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1709-10-21.—Sarah Rynolds, dau. of Thomas and Sarah Rynolds, of Brinkworth.

1710-10-6.—Sarah Rose, dau. of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1714-5-18.—Michael Rynolds, son of Thomas and Sarah Rynolds, of Brinkworth.

1714/15-12-1.—Ann Rose, dau. of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1718-10-2.—Richard Rose, son of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1721-8-29.—Rachel Rose, dau. of Thomas and Mary Rose, of Devizes.

1723-8-5.—Jonathan Rutty, son of Sam[l] and Mary Rutty, of Melksham.

1725-11-12.—Esther Rutty, dau. of Sam[l] and Mary Rutty, of Melksham.

1727-4-2.—Thom[s] Rose, son of Charles and Ann Rose, of Devizes.

1727-5-7.—William Randel, son of John and Ann Randel.

1727-9-9.—Kathern Rutty, dau. of Sam[l] and Mary Rutty.

1727-10-31.—Mary Rutty, dau. of Clare and Hannah Rutty.

1729-7-26.—Mary Rutty, dau. of Sam[l] and Mary Rutty.

1729-10-19.—Betty Riley, dau. of Robert and Hannah Riley.

1730-1-10.—Mary Rose, dau. of Charles and Ann Rose, of Devizes.

1730-4-5.—John Rutty, son of Clare Rutty.

1732-3-7.—Martha Rutty, dau. of Sam[l] and Mary Rutty, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1732-4-10.—Marchant Rose, son of Charles and Ann Rose, of Devizes.

1732-9-1.—Thomas Randal, son of James and Ann Randal, of Corsham.

1734-5-9.—Elizebeth Rose, dau. of Charles and Ann Rose, of Devizes.

1735-4-14.—Ann Rose, dau. of Charles and Ann Rose, of Devizes.

1736-1-31[30].—Jaber [Jabez] Rose, son of Charles and Ann Rose, of Devizes.

1736-10-13.—Andrew Randall, son of Andrew and Hesther Randall, of Chippenham.

1738-4-6.—Hannah Rutty, dau. of Clare and Hannah Rutty, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1738-10-18.—John RANDALL, son of Andrew and Hesther Randall, of Chippenham.

1739-4-9.—Charles ROSE, son of Charles and Ann Rose.

S.

1700-3-21.—At Melksham, Martha SANGER, dau. of Henry and Elizth Sanger, of Melksham.

1700-5-17.—Deberah SELMAN, dau. of Thomas and Jean Selman, of Foxham.

1701-2-22.—Mary SMITH, dau. of Robert and Susanah Smith, of Hullavington.

1701-8-6.—At Holt, William SARTAINE, son of William and Rebecca Sartaine, of Holt, sarge maker.

1702-1-20.—At Whetley, Melksham ph., Clare SMITH, son of William and Sarah Smith, of Whetley, Melksham ph.

1702-2-18.—Henry SANGER, son of Henry and Elizabeth Sanger, of Melksham.

1702-6-4.—Grace SOMNER, dau. of John and Elizabeth Somner, of Seendrow.

1702-10-3.—Tho. SELMAN, son of Tho. and Jane Selman.

1703-1-17.—In Melksham ph., James SANGER, son of Henry and Elizabeth Sanger, of Melksham ph.

1705-8-19.—At Lavington, John SELF, son of Isaac, junr., and Sarah Self, of Lavington.

1706/7-11-20.—At Warminster, Jane SANGER, dau. of Henry and Elizabeth Sanger, of Warminster.

1707-4-20.—John SHURMER, son of Giles and Hester [Esther] Shurmer, of Devizes.

1707-8-11.—At Lavington Forum, Isaac SELFE, son of Isaac, junr., and Sarah Selfe, of Lavington Forum, cardmaker.

1708-11-10.—Ann STOVEY, dau. of William and Jane Stovey.

1708-11-23.—[At Warminster] Henry SANGER, son of Henry and Elizth Sanger, of Warminster.

1709-11-20.—Samuel SANGER, son of Henry and Elizabeth Sanger, of Warminster.

1710-3-29.—Benjamin and Giles SHURMER, twin sons of Giles and Esther Shurmer, of Devizes.

1710-7-7.—At Lavington, Jacob SELF, son of Isaac, junr., and Sarah Self, of Market Lavington.

1710-12-17.—Mary STOVEY, dau. of Willm. and Jane Stovey.

1711/12-1-10.—Giles SHURMER, son of Giles and Esther [Hester] Shurmer, of Devizes.

1711-3-11.—Hannah SANGER, dau. of Henry and Elizabeth Sanger, of Warminster.

1712-12-20.—William STOVEY, son of Willm. and Jane Stovey.

1713-6-8.—Samuel SHURMER, son of Giles and Esther [Hester] Shurmer, of Devizes.

1713-8-17.—At Warminster, Sarah SANGER, dau. of Henry and Elizabeth Sanger, of Warminster.

1713-8-30.—Samuel SELF, son of Isaac and Sarah Self.

1716-5-20.—Daniel SERJANT [SARJANT], son of Joseph and Ruth Serjant [Sargent], [of Caln].

1716-10-14.—[In Melksham ph.] William SMITH, son of John and Elizabeth Smith [of Whitley, Melksham ph.].

1716/17-12-18.—Josiah SELF, son of Isaac and Sarah Self, of Lavington.

1717-7-4.—James STOVEY, son of William and Jane Stovey.

1717-10-20.—Joseph SERJANT [SARJANT], son of Joseph and Ruth Serjant [Sargent], of Caln.

1718-9-27.—John SERJANT [SARJANT], son of Joseph and Ruth Serjant [Sargent], of Caln.

1720-1-6.—John STOVEY, son of William and Jane Stovey, of Hilparton.

1720-2-24[25].—Richard SMITH, son of Richard and Jane Smith, of Marden.

1720-6-10.—Sarah SELF, dau. of Isaac and Sarah Self [of Lavington].

1722-7-23.—John SMART, son of Dan[l] and Hannah Smart, of Kington S[t] Michael.

1722-9-27.—John SMITH, son of Richard and Jane Smith, of Marden.

1722/3-10-22.—Samuel SARJANT, son of Joseph and Ruth Sarjant [of Caln].

1723-3-18.—Sarah STOVEY, dau. of W[m] and Jane Stovey, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1724-5-22.—Sarah STREET, dau. of Stephen and Jane Street, of Corsham ph.

1725/6-1-24.—Sarah SMITH, dau. of Clear and Mary Smith.

1725-12-21.—Hannah Stovey, dau. of William and Jane Stovey.
1727-11-4.—Sam[l] Shute, son of Thos. and Mary Shute.
1727/8-12-28.—John Smith, son of Clare and Mary Smith.

Norman Penney.

Devonshire House,
Bishopsgate, E.C.

(*To be continued.*)

CORR OF ALDBOURNE.

The following information, extracted chiefly from a private Act of Parliament, 12 Geo. II, cap. 26, will be interesting as supplementing Mr. Kite's references to the Corr family and their Bell Foundry at Aldbourne in his article in vol. ii, p. 447.

Oliver Corr, of Albourne, Bell Founder, on 25th March 1699, made a settlement on Robert, one of his sons then about to marry. The property settled included a Copyhold Messuage or Tenement and one Yard Land in Albourne, previously in the possession of Anne Gibbons, and was to be held to the use of Oliver Corr for his life, with remainder to his wife Elizabeth for her life, and afterwards to the son Robert Corr, his intended wife Joan, one of the daughters of Robert Longman, of Binley, in the parish of St. Mary Bourne in Hants, and their heirs. Joan Longman had a marriage portion of £200. I do not know when Oliver Corr died, but the date mentioned by Mr. Kite does not agree with this information; probably because Oliver appears to have been a not uncommon name in the family.

Robert Corr did not live long. He made his will, dated 7 March 1715, and was dead before 16 Oct. 1716, when administration was granted to John Longman, his brother-in-law, of Week farm, in the parish of St. Mary Bourne, with the will annexed, during the minority of the eldest son the executor.

At his death he left a widow Joan and six children, Robert, Oliver and John, and Elizabeth, Anne and Mary, and by his will (P.C.C. Fox 188), he bequeathed to his son Oliver real property, including a messuage or tenement called Court House, in Aldbourne, with the land adjoining and the "pigeon house thereon standing", which he had purchased of Madam Bond and others. Mr. Kite mentions a deed of 1713 between Elizabeth Bond and Robert Corr relating to land in Albourne—a legacy in money, and a moiety of the working tools and other materials and implements used in the trade of Bell Founder. He left money legacies to his son John, and to his daughters. To his widow he left the use of his household goods as long as she remain unmarried, and to his son Robert, the residue of his personal estate. As all the children were under age the rents and profits of the estate were left to trustees, the brother-in-law John Longman, and a kinsman, Thomas Lake, of ffackham, co. Hants, for their education and maintenance till the age of 21 years, when the legacies were to be payable.

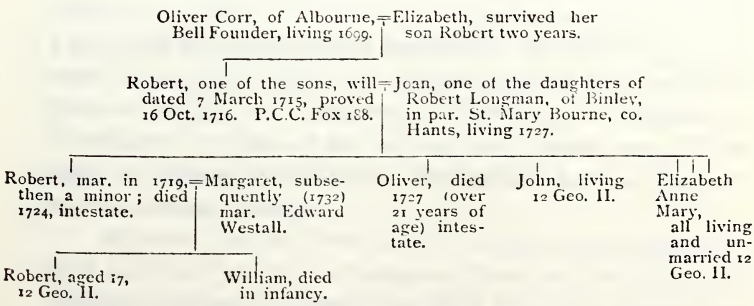
Although John Longman took out administration of Robert Corr's will, he appears to have done nothing more, for the widow Joan and Robert the eldest son (still a minor) possessed themselves of the personal estate, about £700, received the rents and profits of the real estate, and carried on the trade of Bell Founder; and by this means provided for the family, which at first included Elizabeth Corr, the widow of Oliver Corr, who survived her son Robert two years. Very soon Robert Corr, still a minor, married his wife Margaret, and their two sons, Robert and William, were added to the family to be maintained. William soon died, and his father, Robert Corr, died too, at an early age, in March 1724, and intestate. The widow Margaret took out administration of his estate, and after the lapse of about eight years married again to Edward Westall. Some time after her second marriage she was granted administration of the estate of her late husband's father. After the death of Robert Corr, in 1724, the widow Joan, and Oliver, her second son, managed the estate and the

business and maintained the family until Oliver Corr died in August 1727, and then the widow took the burden on her own shoulders, till at length she died intestate, and administration was granted to her daughter Elizabeth. Elizabeth Corr tried to fill her mother's place, but the many changes since her father's death had produced their natural result, and the family became divided; some would not continue with her. The business would seem to have suffered too, as the personal estate of the first-named Robert Corr had been exhausted, and debts had been contracted to the amount of £400, in addition to which the widow Joan had spent money out of her own estate. So at Michaelmas preceding the passing of the Act John Corr and Robert the infant (it is easier to follow the phraseology of the Act here in describing the young son of Robert and Margaret Corr) took over the rents and profits of the estate and carried on the trade of Bell Founder to the exclusion of Elizabeth. John Corr and his sisters had attained their full age but had not received their legacies; Oliver Corr was of age before he died, but had not received his legacy, nor had his moiety of the working tools, &c., been set out to him. Margaret Westall had a claim against the estate for her dower and for money advanced to discharge a bond debt of her late husband. The prospect was bad for the Bell Foundry, and it is not to be wondered at that Edward Westall and his wife Margaret commenced an action in Chancery against the Corrs and John Longman the administrator of Robert Corr; the defendants answered, and when the matter came before the Master of the Rolls for hearing, a compromise was recommended. In spite of the condition into which the estate had drifted there does not appear to have been any bad feeling amongst the parties to the suit, for in pursuance of the recommendation and to prevent further expenses and controversies "which would tend to the utter undoing of the said family", an agreement was arrived at for the settlement of the outstanding claims.

The agreement was confirmed by the Act from which

most of the foregoing is extracted, and it was as follows:—Robert Corr, the Infant, as heir-at-law of his Father and Uncle Oliver, was empowered to sell property in Albourne, described as Gibbon's (not including the dwelling house), Hatts, Dixon's (or Discon's), Smith's, Coleman's, and King's to William Brown, of Albourne, free of all incumbrances (except ancient Quit Rents not exceeding 5*s.* 6*d.* a year) for £1,080; and out of the purchase money to pay the debts incurred by the various members of the family who had in turn managed the estate and business; to pay to Edward Westall and Margaret his wife £110 in satisfaction of her Dower; to pay all the expenses, including the costs of the Act; and to pay the residue in equal shares to his three Aunts, Elizabeth, Anne, and Mary Corr. The two members of the family still remaining to be considered, Robert Corr the Infant (he was now 17 years of age), and his uncle John Corr, were to have each a moiety of the Working Tools, &c., then in being in Court House, and to become joint and equal partners in the Bell Foundry, and Court House was to be the property of Robert and John Corr as tenants in common.

The pedigree is furnished from the materials here supplied:—



The names of William and Robert Corr on bells cast at Aldbourne may perhaps point to there having been more than one Foundry in the Corr family. The particulars given in the Act of the various members of Oliver Corr's family who carried

on the trade are fairly good ground for the inference that no others were concerned in this one. The Oliver Corr whose autograph Mr. Kite reproduced is very likely the Oliver Corr who made the settlement in 1699, as Robert Corr, his son, who died in 1716, owned other property beyond that included in the settlement, part of which he may have inherited, and one parcel of which was called Colman's.

Albourne Manor and Chase were among the properties settled by James I on Prince Charles, afterwards Charles I, and are described as "parcell or reputed parcell of the lands and possessions of the Duchie of Lancaster". The existence of the "pigeon house" would no doubt show the importance of Court House, and lead one to think it may have been the royal hunting lodge.

J. S.

DE CHYREBURY OF SEEND.

In the year 1269 an Inquisition was held at Seend after the death of John de Chyrebury. Mention is made in Parts I and II of the I.P.M. of four generations of this family, whose name is variously spelt, but always suggests their presumed place of origin, viz., Cherbourg. *Chyrebury* is doubtless an "anglicised" version of the original, and I would ask if I am right in supposing that this is the earliest form of the well-known name of *Yerbury*.

It is true that this latter name is, in after years, connected with families of clothiers of eminence living at Trowbridge and Bradford, and not at Seend; but then it must be noted that though Wyganus de Chyrebury died in 1283 Lord of the new Manor of Seend, and though he left a son who was married and had issue, still, at the date of the *Nomina Villarum* (1316), his family does not appear. For some reason, which later

I.P.M. may supply, they had abandoned Seend, and were possibly to be found at Trowbridge under the name of Yerbury.

That these immigrants from Cherbourg to Seend were a thriving stock is plain from the I.P.M. held on John de C. in 1269, where we get the important information "that he held of the king 15 librates of land . . . . by the fourth part of a knight's fee", and that "the said land is worth so much by the year *on account of the increment which the said John has put on the said land*".

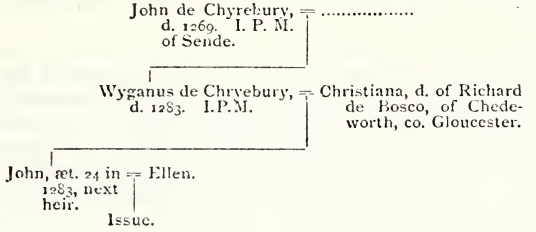
At the date in question a knight's fee was generally worth about £20 per annum, but at Seend a quarter knight's fee was worth £15. How, then, had the value of the estate been trebled?

My suggestion is that the de Chyreburys were engaged in the woollen trade, possibly the first promoters of the business in this part of the county; that they made much money, and so were able to develop their estate at Seend, which place, as is well known, became a centre of this industry.

John de Chyrebury's lands at Seend had been parcel of the King's Manor of Melksham; at his death, in 1269, they had greatly increased in value. On the death of his son, Wyganus, in 1283, an extent was taken of his estate, which was then found to have grown into a fully-equipped Manor, with a capital messuage, a garden, *a vineyard*, a dovecote, etc., etc. Amongst the profits arising from the new manor we find a certain sum under the head of "Pleas of Court", whence we may presume that there was a separate jurisdiction established, and in fact I have been informed that a Court Leet was held at Seend within the memory of persons now living, or recently dead.

The general conclusion arrived at is that long before the end of the thirteenth century the portion of the Domesday Manor of Melksham, known as Seend, was in a highly flourishing condition, and that a certain family of Norman immigrants had been the cause of this prosperity. Is anything known of

the after history of this family? Their pedigree, from the I.P.M., is as follows:—



T. G. J. H.

HOULTON—SELFE.

So much information has recently been published in *W. N. & Q.* relating to the Selfe family, that perhaps the following extracts from the P.C.C. Wills may be of some interest. A reference to Mr. Kite's excellent pedigree of Selfe (*W. N. & Q.*, vol. iv, p. 338) will show that Jane, daughter of Isaac Selfe, of Benacre (he died in 1656), married John Houlton, of Bradford. The two extracts of Wills here given, are those of this John and Jane Houlton.

131 COTTLE.—John Houlton, of Bradfoord, co. Wilts, clothier. Dated 9 Sept., 1681. He mentions his wife Jane; his two daughters Margaret & Jane—both under age; his son John Houlton, under 21, to whom he leaves land at Melksham, subject to his payeing £100 to each of his two sisters above mentioned; his friend Mr. Edward Beker, of City of London; his two brothers-in-law, Mr. Jacob Selfe and Mr. Isaac Selfe; his brother-in-law Edward Mortimer; brothers Nathaniel Houlton & Joseph Houlton. £500 to wife. "Paul Methuen" is one of the witnesses. Proved 18 Nov., 1682, by Jane Houlton, the relict, and Jane Houlton, the younger daughter.

125 HARE.—"Jane Houlton, of Bradford, in the county of Wilts, widow." Dated 22 May, 1682. To be buried in the parish church of Bradford, "next to the sepulcher of John Houlton my deare Husband lately deceased." To the poor of parish of Melksham 40*s*. To son John Houlton, "the biggest silver Tankard and silver Plate." "I give unto my Sister Selfe, of Benacre, Brother Isaac Selfe and his wife, Sister Jeffreyes, Sister Guppey and Sister Bacon, Tenne shillings apeice to buy

them mourning Rings to weare in remembrance of me." Her two daughters Margaret & Jane to be exrs. To "Brothers Jacob Selfe and Richard Guppey, gent., Twenty shillings a peice," they to be overseers of her will.

CODICIL of same date.—"Unto Colonel Edward Becker of the city of London and his wife" 10*s.* each to buy a ring, and "the like sume to Brother Nathaniel Houlton and his wife." "To Sister Whitchurch, Joseph Houlton and his wife, Edward Mortimer and his wife, being each of them related to me as Brethren and Sisters, the like sume of Tenne shillings to buy them Rings as aforesaid." Signed "Jane Houlton." Witnesses:—Richard Guppey, John Wicks, of Chippenham.

Proved at London 16 Oct., 1684, by Jacob Selfe and Richard Guppey.

Can anyone give any further information about this Houlton family? One member of it—John Houlton, of Seend, and of St. Olave's, Hart Street, London, gent., who was buried at Seend 5 Aug. 1704—married Mary, daughter and co-heiress of Samuel Pett, of Battersea, co. Surrey, Esq., a Commissioner of H.M.'s Navy at Chatham. Somewhere about the dates of the above Wills, Anne Houlton, of Bradford, married John Boucher, probably the Jn. Boucher mentioned in *W. N. & Q.*, vol. i, p. 424, as one of the witnesses to the Will of John Norden, of Badbury, co. Wilts, Esq., dated 1669.

What relation—if any—was this John Boucher to William Bouchier, Boucher, or Butcher, who was described in 1687 as of "the Middle Temple, London, gent.," and in 1692 as of "the Close of Sarum, gent.," and who married as his second wife, Arabella, another daughter and co-heiress of the above-mentioned Samuel Pett, Esq. This William Boucher was son of William Boucher of "the Close of Sarum, gent." (who was buried at Fisherton Anger 8 May, 1676) by his wife Margaret, daughter of the Rev. Richard Kent, M.A., Vicar of Fisherton Anger, and Canon and Sub-Dean of Salisbury, a staunch Royalist, and grandson of Robert Boucher, "of Ugford in the county of Wilts, gent.," who died in 1657-8. William Boucher, of the Middle Temple, lived to a great age, not dying until Aug. 1753.

R. BOUCHER.

THE FORM "SARUM".

In a kindly notice of a book of mine in *W. N. & Q.*, vol. iv, p. 384, your reviewer "A. S. M." has raised a protest against the common use of the name "Sarum." It is equivalent to "Sar'," "Sarr," or "Salisbury". A use so widespread, and of such respectable antiquity, is, I feel, no mere personal question to myself. If I thought it *were* such, I should not ask you to occupy your valuable space with discussing it. But I am really interested to know (what perhaps you, or "A. S. M.," or some other of your readers can tell us) *when* the form "Sarum", so written without sign of contraction, first occurs. Of course there is no question about its prevalence in modern centuries. Not to speak particularly of your own pages and indexes, there is hardly a single epitaph, Latin or English, from 1463 to 1766, in Salisbury Cathedral Church, which (if the books are correct) is not guilty of it.[1] Shakespeare, we all know (to say nothing of Leland, Isaac Walton, Aubrey, &c.), speaks of "Sarum plain". The earliest printed book that I possess of what I am afraid I am too old ever to learn to call anything but "Sarum Use", prints "Sarũ," which is the same thing, in the first line of the tract *Crede michi*, "Sciendum est quod multe ecclesie de vsu Sarū," and in § 144, "Ordinale Sarū". In the companion tract the *Defensorium Directorii*, c. 36, I find the uncontracted word plainly given:—"Sarum, seu alicuius alieni (capituli)". This was printed by Wynken de Worde in 1495. Again, "Missale ad consuetudinem Ecclesie Sarum feliciter", says Regnault in 1527. To go back earlier: the *Antiphonale* (photographed for the Plainsong, &c. Society) reads on p. 44: "In choro sarū nunquam duplicatur aliquis psalmus." "Saru" must stand for "Sarum", for it can hardly

[1] The monuments of Bishop Davenant and Bishop Seth Ward are among the few exceptions.

be "Sar*u*sberiensi." That page is photographed, I believe, from the Erlyngham Breviary of 1460. My query is, simply—To how much earlier a date may the form "Sarum", explicitly, be traced?

I am well aware that "Sar'" or "Sarr'" was originally a contraction of "Saresbirienis", "Saresburiensis," or the like. When did folk begin to write "Saꝛ" and to say "Sarum"? That they *did* so pronounce the latter, a good many centuries ago, is plain from these epitaphs:—

"Quondam prelatus: Sarum sub honore creatus." (*Bishop* Hallam's *tomb* at Constance, in 1416.)

"Collegium carum: circumeundo Sarum." (*Tomb of* Thomas *and* Edith Poulton, 1418.)

"Et comitissa Sarum: virtutum plena bonarum," appears on the Countess Ela's stone in Laycock cloister. As it stands, the last-named is (I believe) not coëval with her death in 1261; but it has, I suppose, a respectable antiquity. Can anyone inform me of its approximate date? And while I ask for dates, I should be grateful for anyone who can give me a correct table of dates for Ela's husband, William Longespé's departure to Gascony, his shipwreck, and return, his visit to Marlborough, and his death? I find it difficult to reconcile the dates given for these, and the intervals between them, as stated by some authorities.

In an account of episcopal seals, the present Bishop of Salisbury shows the form "Sarum" on several of his predecessors' seals, from 1330 onwards.

Chr. Wordsworth.

St. Peter's Rectory,
Marlborough.

JOHN NOYES, OF CALNE.

(*Continued from p.* 371.)

Written on the same sheet of paper as is her husband's letter of 15th May, 1607.

IV.

EMMANUELL.

Lovinge Husband/ Our lovinge commendacions remembred vnto you with a continuall wishinge for your saftie. These ar to let you vnderstand, that I have receaved your letter wherein I perceave that you ar douptfull yet, of your comminge home, and in your last iourney matters to have little or nothing at all proceeded, God grante, that this longe deferringe and slowe proceedinges, maie turne all to the best, but I feare muche. I have home Mr. Pleddalls woole, and at the fetchinge thereof, he told my sonne that he could helpe him to the sight of thirty tod of woole and vpperwarde, at Idsune, aboute [sh]eartime, beinge verye good, as he saithe: mor[eover I] do not doupte, but wee maie have woole [enough] for money, for as wee heare the market [has some] what fallen at Maleborouge, and therfore I [do not] muche care for the woole which you write of i[n your] letter, nothwithstandinge I will aske advise h[ere,] as for buiinge of a horse wee have muche m[oved] therof, and wee doe partly heare of a mare not above three miles from vs (as it is reported) a very good one beinge aboute sixe yeare old, what the price is wee knowe not. I thinke sixe pounds. I will send my sonne with on or other which hathe better experience then he in this matter, and assoone as wee can you shall heare further from vs in this matter. Thus in hast leavinge you for this present I committe you to the Almightie, who as hitherto so all waies blesse you

your louinge wyfe
ALICE NOYES.

I do sende for Mr. Todhunters woole this Mondaye.

To her lovinge husband
John Noies at London
at the signe of the Parsons
Head in ffrydayes street
give these.

The following letter is written on the reverse side of a letter from his wife. At the head of it, smudged out, is written "Brother Robartes", as though he had intended a

letter to a brother-in-law, and had changed his mind, possibly upon remembering that a private letter from his wife appeared on the back.

V.

Deare Wife my lovinge and hartie commendations to you, and to my children remembred. I perceave by youre Letter, that concerninge youre worldlye affayres and busynes you shall be able to performe it well enoughe. I vnderstand by Edward Tytcome that you woulde have me come home at Whitsuntide. But it is but in vaine to come home then, seinge that within xiiijth daies after I am perswaded we shall make an end for this tyme, and consideringe that the next Sundaie after Whitsuntide you must (to paye debts) sende me vp more clothes (xxx yf you will) and then I hope to dispatche all thinges here, and so to come home, so that you sende me my horse with all. I am verie sorrie to hear that the sicknes increaseth at Calne. The first and the best counsell that I can geve you, is this. I beseeche you to serve God with reverence and feare, call vppon him bothe earelie and late, heare his worde, delight in his worde, and obeye his worde, and my soule for your soule, the plauge shall never annoye you, no althoughe it dothe destroye you, I meane if it dothe destroye your bodie, yet it shall not destroye youre soule. If you repent and beleve, God is readie to pardon and forgeve. Remember that we are now olde, we can not live longe, nature it selfe will denie that. Let vs now begine to number oure daies, that we may applie oure hartes vnto wisedome. Our life is but a spanne longe, it is but a vapor, it is but a shadowe, it is but as it were a bubble of water, which riseth vp in a moment, and falleth downe in another. Wherefore let vs playe the foolishe virgins no longer, least oure oyle in oure lampes be to sekinge, and our lightes be not burninge when we shall be called to meete wth the Bridgrome Christ Jesus to enter with him into his weddinge chamber, the Kingdome of God. Let vs now at the last beginne to denye vngodlynes, and worldly lustes, and to live godlie, vprightlie, and soberlie, and watchfullie all the rest of oure life, for we knowe not the howre when we shall be called awaie, and after this life there is no place for repentance nor no reconcilinge vnto God, and no vncleane thinge nor vncleane person shall enter into the Kingdome of God. What is the cause that we are so afraide of the plauge, and cons . . . . le of deathe? is it not an evill conscience? is it not, because oure conscience dothe tell vs that we never feared God, nor loved God, nor served God with all our hartes, & above all thinges? Yes verelie. Let vs therefore turne vnto God with all oure hartes, and amende oure lives with all expedition and haste, and then verelie the plauge shall not hurte vs, deathe shall not hurt vs, sinne shall not hurte vs, hell shall not hurte vs, the Devill himselfe and all his hellishe Angles shall never be able to hurte vs, for Christe shall be vnto vs life, and deathe shall be vnto vs advantage, for it shall be the doore whereby we shall enter into the Kingdome of God.

My second counsell is this. I beseeche you to a[voide] the occasion of infection, as muche as you can, take heede of youre spinner[s] how

you receave any that have, or shall hereafter accompanie, or come neare vnto suche as are or shalbe hereafter infected. Youre howse standeth more dangerous then any howse in all the towne, because of the dead corpses that comme so neare vnto youre doores, and brushe as it were vppon youre walles. Wherefore do this. Locke vp youre vpper streete doore, and vse it no more. Let youre spinners and weavers come in at the lower entrie, and so vp into the woole lofte, and let them come into no other part of youre howse. Vse not youre vpper hall, no not at all, neyther yet the lower hall, if you will be ruled by me, shut them up altogether, for the kitchine and the upper chambers will be sufficient for youre occupyinge. If you lacke roome to dresse your drisle and suche other thinges, yf you will take the paines to ryd Richard ffowlers shope it will serve you for all suche turnes. Above all thinges, let not you, nor any of youres stande at the streete doore, nor vse to leane vpon the walles, for that will be verie dangerous. Kepe in youre dogge, or knocke him in the heade, and let no other dogges come friskinge into youre howse or into youre backside. Yf you will, you maye goe in and out at the gate, and so shut vp all the forepart of youre howse, and come not into it at all. But I thinke not that the best waie for spinners but onlie for youre selves.

Yf you can obteyne so muche favor of youre sonne Dashe you maye make a bridge as it was wont to be over the water, and so walke into his orchard to take the freshe ayre, yea you maie goe vnto churche throughe his gate if nede do so requyre. But yf youre hartes will not serve you vntill I come home, then see whether you maye not goe vnto Stocklie House, for I heare that youre brother Lawrence will goe vnto Berries House within this senight, or whether you maye goe vnto his howse, called Rabbines, for you had better goe any whither, then to tarrie at Calne if the plauge doe increase. I have sent you a litell booke, let youre sonne read him vnto you and youre daughters everie Sabothe in steede of a Cathechisme. No more vnto you at this time, but prayinge God to blesse vs all with spirituall blessinges in heavenlie thinges, that we maye be vnblameable in Christe throwe Love. Amen. Delyver these quittances as you finde them directed, twoo, to Robert Foreman, and thother vnto Thomas ffowke. ffrom London the 15 of Maye 1607.

Youres for ever
JOHN NOYES.

To my Lovinge wife, Alice
Noyes at Calne, geve this.

VI.

Coozine Alice I comend me vnto you in the spirit of trewe and unfeyned love, protestinge that I am hartely sorrie, because that of late you have bin traduced and slaundered vere opprobriously, disdainfullie, and despitfullie. Whereof notwithstandinge, in my opinion, you maye make verie good vse, and profit vnto youre owne consolation and eternall salvation. for if you be innocent and youre conscience be cleare

in this respect, O what greater ioye can there be then the testimonie of a good conscience, yea a good conscience is a continewall feast, and is in steede of a thousand witnesses vnto youre owne harte. And Christ sayeth, blessed are ye when men revile you, and falslie saye all maner of evill against you for my sake, reioyce and be glad, for great is youre rewarde in heaven. Yf all the worlde doe [co]ndemne you, and youre owne conscience dothe cleare and absolve you, it hurteth you nothinge at all. nay rather youre accusers do greatly hurte themselves, because they shall give account of everie idle worde which they have spoken, muche more shall they give account of all theyre rashe and uncharitable indgments. On the other side, if you be guiltie of those thinges where with you be charged, then you are to learne another lesson, even to humble youreselfe under the mightie hande of God by unfeigned repentance, and to amende youre life for the tyme to come, that so you maye bothe be accepted with God, and maye also recover a better name, by a better life and conversation hereafter. for mine owne part I protest, that none of these thinges are beleeved of me. for how can I beleve, that, which I doe not knowe. beleevinge must be grounded vppon knowledge, otherwise beleevinge is no beleevinge, but rather a false surmise grounded vppon a false conceyt, or els vppon a rashe reporte, which reporte albeit it maye be trewe in it selfe, yet it is alwaies a verie lie, and a sinfull slaunder in the mouthe of him that speaketh vppon the bare report of another man, without any certaine knowledge of his owne. But I woulde to God you had vsed softer and milder speeches in the defense of youre owne innocencye. Salomon sayeth a soft answere putteth awaie wrathe. but grevous wordes stirre up anger. Oure Saviour Christe when he was blasphemed of the wicked Jewes, which saide that he was a Samaritan and that He had the devill, he meekely aunswered and sayde, I have not the devill, but I honor my father, and you have dishonoured me. So shoulde you have aunswered youre adversarie, with gentle communication, sayinge, I am not suche a woman as you charge me to be, I have alwaies feared God, and have kept the bed of matrimonie vndefyled, and you have slaundered me without any deservinge of mine. Soe might you have prosecuted the lawe against youre enemie with a good conscience, and also with verie good advantage, whereas now you havinge vsed rebuke for rebuke, taunt for taunt, and reproche for reproche, you can not looke with any good conscience to be protected and defended eyther by God, or by the magistrat, in suche wise as youre selfe woulde desyre, namely that you and youre cause maye be iustified, and youre adversarie maye be convinced, and punished accordinge to equitie and iustice. Besides that, there is greater danger to deale with one froward and foolishe person, then it is to deale with an hundred wisemen, which be of an humble and quiet spirit. Salomon writeth that if a wise man goe to lawe with a foole, whether he deale with him frendly, or rowghly, he getteth no rest, and [tre]wly I am afraide that you shall get more discredit, then credit, by dealinge with this contentious and unreasonable woman, for she will not sticke to lie, and to swear, to invent, and to raise vp all maner of false surmises, susspicions, and accusations, to the intent to disgrace you, and to bringe

youre good name into infamie and slaunder, and I dare warrant you, that she shall not want a Proctor for so bad a practise. I do not take uppon me to controlle you, or any frende that you have of a contrarie mynde, but as a loving kinsman and a faithfull frende I admonishe you in the feare of God. Youre selfe doe knowe verie well, that I doe love you vnfeignedly in all honestie and vertue, vnles peradventure you account me to be an hypocrite and a dessembler. I hope you will not offer me that unkindnes which althoughe you shoulde doe so in deed yet I will alwaies remayne one, and the same man. as I have begune to love you and to doe you good in the waie of youre salvation, so will I doe, God willinge, as longe as I live. Yf you at any tyme shall be offended with me, yet knowe for certaintie, that I shall verie hardlie be offended with you. Youre offenses towardes me shall be trod vnder foote as nothinge. But if you offend against God, then be sure, yf I know it, that I will reprove you, and that for [no] other cause but because I doe love you.

And so I commit you to the grace of God

Yours in the Lorde,
J. N.

On the back of the sheet on which the above is written, occur, in John Noyes' handwriting, the following lines, presumably of his own composition :—

A slaunderer God dothe detest, and him that sowes sedition,
and one that of a meere conceyt, dothe raise a false susspition.
And him that beares a tale about, or takes it of another,
whereby he doth columniat, and vilifie his brother.
When men fall out, most commonlie they rune vppon this rocke,
they rayle, revile, and slaunders raise, and skornefullie do mocke.
The errors of the litle tounge be great and manifolde,
I never yet had strength enoughe this slipper clacke to holde.
A wicked thinge it is to squib, and darkelie to defame,
another man, whom openlie I dare not so to blame,
A sinner that is penitent, whose fault I vnderstand,
before I should disclose the same, I should cut of my hande.

There is also a note, in a comparatively modern hand, "No. 8, Transcribed," an indication that these papers were valued in his family, and that a copy of them may be somewhere in existence.

A. S. M.

(*To be continued.*)

Queries.

Vicar of Wakefield.—Two copies of the original edition of this work (1766) have lately been sold, one for £75, the other for £85. It was published at Salisbury. How came it to be published at that place, and who was the publisher?

A. S.

Seal of Milo Fitzwalter.—Last July Messrs. Sotheby and Co. sold for £101 a silver matrix for seal of Milo Fitzwalter, Governor of Gloucester and Earl of Hereford, *circ.* 1140; it belonged to the collection of the late Rev. John Selwyn, of Ludgershall, and was ploughed up in 1795 between Winchester and Devizes. Where can I find any account of it, and in what place was it discovered?

H. D.

Place House and Amesbury Nuns.—The Parish Church of St. Michael, Melksham, originally Norman and cruciform, many years ago lost its south transept, and on its site and on the ground immediately south of the chancel was built a Perpendicular Chapel.

Tradition says that at first a solid wall, pierced by a single priest's door, separated this Chapel from the rest of the Church.

The connexion of the Nunnery of Amesbury with the parish and hundred of Melksham is well known, and the Convent held lands at Place House and elsewhere, which after the dissolution passed to the Gores and Brounckers.

There is still an old doorway leading from the original grounds of Place House to that part of the churchyard which lies close to the Chapel in question.

Is there any *evidence* that the building was ever reserved for the Nuns' use, or perhaps built by the Convent?

C. F. Rumboll.

Robert Hyde.—He was M.P. for Hindon 1684, 1690, 1695, and for the county of Wilts from 1702-22. How was he related to the great Earl of Clarendon?

F. H.

Replies.

Paul Bush (vol. iv, pp. 97, 98). With regard to the appointments made by Hen. VIII. to Bristol and other dioceses, I must venture to disagree with the writer of the article on Paul Bush as to the influences that dominated the royal mind. In dissolving the religious houses it was necessary to give the dignitaries dispossessed some trifling pension to live upon; and this lessened the royal spoil. But by promoting the sufferers to new benefices, the loss was to a certain extent obviated. Bush was then compensated for his deprivation of Edington by being nominated a Bishop, and Snow got the Deanery in lieu of his pleasant berth at Bradenstoke; while the King posed as the patron of religion and learning on very cheap terms.

The best thing I know about Bush is his gallant effort to protect the estate of his See from the greedy ministers of Edw. VI. who had resolved on robbing the bishoprick of its only valuable property, the Manor of Leigh, the country seat of the old Abbots. On Jan. 7, 1551, the Privy Council wrote to Bush, "marvelling" that he had not acceded to the King's request for a grant of the Manor for the sum offered to him in compensation, and requiring him to submit to the terms. In Feb. Bush appeared in person before the Council "to answer the King's request for Sir George Norton," doubtless some creature of Somerset. The Bishop pleaded that he had leased the Manor to his brother, on condition that it should be surrendered if any future Bishop wished to live there, and that his brother should be compensated for his improvements, already amounting to £200. The Council pressed him to

surrender unconditionally, but Bush "would in no wise yield and departed" (*Privy Council Minutes*). Terrorism, however, must have been brought to bear upon him, and another letter was addressed to him on March 8, stating that as he had consented to the King's demand, provided that he might hold the Manor for life, the King desired him to convey the reversion to Norton. This he did, with the effect of reducing the future income of the See to a few score pounds. Consequently, during nearly the whole reign of Elizabeth, it was held by the Bishops of Gloucester *in commendam*.

JOHN LATIMER.

[The *Dict. Nat. Biog.* states that Bush "is accused of having impoverished the See by granting the Manor of Leigh to Edw. VI. in 1549. At that time, however, Bishops had little option in such matters."

Since writing the above Mr. Latimer has died at Bristol, aged 80; he was born at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and coming to Bristol, for some years edited the *Mercury*. He was well known as the Historian of Bristol, and his *Annals* of that city are regarded as invaluable. He wrote other books and many papers on Newcastle and Bristol, and at the time of his death was revising the proofs of his MS. copy of the Charters of his adopted city, which is to be privately printed.—ED.]

Thynne (vol. iii, p. 143).—With reference to Mr. Rye's suggestion that the origin of this name is a corruption of "Le Theyne," so plentiful in East Norfolk as "Thaine," I should like to call your readers' attention to "Thomas le Theyn" (whose name occurs as one of the jury in an I. P. M. 6 Edw. I, 1277, of the Abbess of Romsey), in the neighbourhood of Warminster.

A. J. S.

Dickens Topography (vol. iv, p. 377).—It is fair to suppose, from the careful description given of the road-side inn in "The Bagman's Story," that Dickens had seen, and made a mental

note of, such a house. I may say, with confidence, that the place has not been identified by the various Dickens commentators, who possibly considered it useless to attempt to do so in view of the statement, that "the old house was pulled down." This assertion need not be taken literally, and it might be worth while investigating the subject, and seeing whether an old inn still stands "on the right-hand side of the road" between Marlborough Downs and Bristol, "about half-a-quarter of a mile from the end of the Downs," *i.e.*, the western end. It is possible, of course, that no such inn as described ever existed there, and that Dickens saw it in an entirely different part of the country during one of his reporting expeditions—indeed, it is not unlikely that Tom Smart's rough journey was an experience of Dickens' own, perhaps when he went to Bath or Bristol for his paper, the *Morning Chronicle*.

F. G. Kitton.

"Who were these Germans?" (vol. iv, p. 383).—The answer to this question is perhaps to be found on pp. 28, 29, *Wilts I. P. M.* (Hen. III). For a year and a day Wilton was in the hands of the "King of Germany" (1259-1260).

T. G. J. H.

Notes on Books.

The Genealogist, a Quarterly Magazine of Genealogical, Antiquarian, Topographical, and Heraldic Research. New Series. Edited by H. W. Forsyth Harwood, of the Middle Temple, Barrister-at-Law. Vol. XIX. London: George Bell & Sons, York Street, Covent Garden. Exeter: William Pollard & Co., Ltd., 1903.

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The history of his family, illustrated with Monuments, Views and Arms, contributed by General Wrottesley, as a

supplement, has come to an end, and its Wiltshire connexions are discussed. As the Editor remarks in the Preface, "it is a model family history, admirably conceived and most ably written."

Sir Walter Wrottesley, who succeeded to the property in 1464, had issue by his wife Jane, heiress of William Baron, of Reading (one of the Tellers of the Exchequer), four sons and five daughters, several of whom became connected by marriage with our county. The eldest son Richard, who succeeded at Wrottesley in 1481, married Dorothy, sister of Dr. Richard Dudley, Chancellor of Sarum;[1] whilst of his sisters, the eldest became the wife of William, Lord Stourton, the second, of Sir John Scrope, of Castle Combe; and the third, of Sir Anthony St. Amand, an illegitimate son of Richard Beauchamp, Lord St. Amand, the inheritor of lands in Bromham.

From their brother, William Wrottesley, of Reading (second son of Sir Walter), Esquire of the Body to Henry VII, who died 1513, appears to have descended a younger branch, who settled in this neighbourhood. His eldest son Edward was of Rowde, and, according to the Heralds' Visitation of 1623, had a daughter, Jane, married to Thomas Barrett, of Tytherton Lucas; whilst a younger son, Robert Wrottesley, born about 1498, was in 1553 M.P. for Chippenham. His widow, Joan, remarried John Wingood, of Bromham, gent., and by will dated 1593, made bequests to the poor of Rowde and Chippenham.

John Wrottesley, the elder son of Robert and Joan, predeceased his mother apparently in 1592, leaving a widow "Mistress Elizabeth Wrottesley", who, according to the parish

[1] Of their four daughters, Elinor the eldest, married first Edmund Leversedge, of Frome Selwood, co. Som., after whose death she became the second wife of Sir Henry Long, of Wraxhall and Draycote. The descendants of a younger son, Thomas, resided at Britford, near Salisbury, and intermarried with Jervoys (*see* an account of this family in *Ancestor* No. 3), owners of property there, and at Herriard, co. Hants. His grandson, Sir George Wrottesley, was knighted by James I.

register of Chippenham, was buried there 29 May 1614—and a son and heir, Robert Wrottesley, gent., also buried there in 1608. His will, proved 30 Sept. in that year, contains several items of local interest :—

Parish Church of Chippenham £10 for a new bell; cousin Nicholas Smyth, son of Philip Smyth £5; Thomas Long, son of Henry Long £5; Robert Long, son of the said Thomas £5; cousin Gabriel Gouldney, son of Gabriel Gouldney £5; cousin Hugh Wrotesley £5; parish church of Rowde £4; poor of Chippenham £5. Elizabeth Wrotesley, his mother, messuage, tenements, &c., called the Bell in Chippenham, remainder to John, son of Anne Woodland, of Notton, co. Wilts. He mentions that he had mortgaged divers lands at East Brent, co. Somerset, called Wingods,[1] to Gabriel Gouldney the elder, for 40 years; and had also mortgaged his lands in Chippenham to Gabriel Gouldney and Hugh Barrett (kinsman), and directs that the above lands shall be sold to pay debts. Mother, Elizabeth, executrix and residuary legatee; Henry Long, of Southweeke, gent., Thomas Atkins, of Chippenham, gent., Richard Sherfield, of Tidworth, and Henry Sherfield his brother, overseers.

This Robert Wrottesley left no legitimate issue; but by Anne, daughter of Richard Woodland, of Notton, in Lacock, afterwards married to Richard Osgood, he had an illegitimate son—John Woodlands *alias* Wrottesley, of Chippenham. Among the muniments belonging to the Jervoys family at Herriard, co. Hants, is a copy of a will made by him apparently when under age. It is dated 16 Mar. 1624-5, and contains the following bequests :—

Anne, my loving mother, now wife of Richard Osgood £60; brother Richard £30; loving aunt Elizabeth, wife of John Gale £20; loving and kind uncle Henry Sherfield, Esq., to whom I am much bound for his love and favour £40; loving cousin Matilda, daughter of the said Henry £20; loving uncle Robert Woodland, gent. £20; and the said Henry Sherfield residuary legatee.

Henry Sherfield (*Dict. Nat. Biog.*) was Recorder of Salisbury, and his subsequent trial for sacrilege there, in 1632, will be found in *Wilts N. & Q.*, vol. i, p. 183. By a decree of the Court of Chancery he had in his hands certain money belonging to his nephew, John Woodland *alias* Wrottesley, on

[1] In 1601 he had sued Richard Lydenham, of Clarendon Park, for these premises called Wingods, in East Brent.—*Chancery Suits.*

which no interest was payable until the latter attained the age of 21. He had, however, given him an allowance for maintenance, schooling, &c., and in 1625, desiring to go to Oxford for his further advancement, the nephew undertakes that whatever charges his uncle pays for his maintenance there shall be deducted from the principal sum payable to him on attaining his full age.

We must leave for another time, perhaps, any notice of the papers on the connexion between Amesbury and Arthur, the blameless King. Amongst the Reviews is a flattering notice of our Magazine; the indexes are good; the frontispiece is a fine photograph of the handsome monument to Sir Thomas Offley, in St. Andrew Undershaft, London.

COMPLETE PEERAGE OF ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, IRELAND, GREAT BRITAIN, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM, EXTANT, EXTINCT, OR DORMANT; alphabetically arranged, and edited by G. E. C. Eight volumes. London: George Bell & Sons, York Street, Covent Garden; William Pollard & Co., North Street, Exeter, 1887-1898.

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SOMERSET.—William Seymour, great-grandson of the last named; 1621, succeeded his grandfather as Earl of Hertford, &c.; M.P. for Marlborough; bearer of St. Edward's Staff at the Coronation of Charles I; 1640, cr. Marquess of Hertford; distinguished himself in the defence of Sherborne Castle and at the Battle of Lansdowne; 1650, K.G.; 1661, restored as Duke of Somerset and Baron Seymour; 1610, mar. Arabella Stuart, the King's cousin (for this clandestine marriage both were imprisoned); 1617, mar. Frances, sister and coh. of Robert, 3rd Earl of Essex; 1660, bur. at Great Bedwyn; always faithful to the King, he was one of the four who chivalrously offered themselves for punishment in lieu of the King, as being responsible by their advice for his acts. *See* Clarendon's favourable description of his character. Succeeded by his grandson, and his younger son, on whose death the Marquessate became extinct, respectively bur. at Great Bedwyn and

Salisbury Cathedral; these were succeeded by their cousin, Francis, Lord Seymour of Trowbridge, in 1665; born at Preshute; killed at Lerice, in the State of Genoa, when only 20; bur. at Great Bedwyn; succeeded by the "proud Duke[1]," and his son Algernon, Lord Percy in the right of his mother; this latter cr. 1749 Baron Warkworth, and Earl of Northumberland, also Baron Cockermouth and Earl of Egremont; mar. 1713, Frances dau. and coh. of Hon. Henry Thynne; 1750, bur. in Westminster Abbey, where his widow (whose "carotty" locks were celebrated by Swift) was also afterwards buried. At his death many of his titles were dispersed; the Earldom of Hertford with the Baronies of Beauchamp and Trowbridge becoming extinct, whilst the Dukedom and Barony of Seymour devolved on Edward Seymour, his distant cousin, son and heir of Sir Edward Seymour,[2] Bart., of Berry Pomeroy, by Letitia, dau. of Sir Francis Popham, K.B., of Littlecot. He was descended from the 1st wife of the 1st Duke, whose issue was postponed in their right of succession to the issue by the 2nd wife; born at Easton, 1694; succeeded as 6th Baronet, 1740; M.P. for Salisbury 1741-47; mar. 1716, Mary, dau. and heir of Daniel Webb, of Monkton Farley and Melksham, by Elizabeth, dau. of John, and sister and coh. of Edward Somner, of Seend (See *W.N. & Q.*, iii, 383); bur. at Maiden Bradley 1757; she at Seend, 1768.

From him descended Edward Adolphus, the 12th Duke of Somerset, K.G.; cr. 1863 Earl St. Maur of Berry Pomeroy; 1st Lord of the Admiralty, 1859-66; he mar. Jane Georgiana, Sheridan's grand-daughter, "the Queen of Beauty" at the Eglinton Tournament; bur. at Gerard's Cross, 1885, "a man of excellent classical attainments and a good mathematician."

Residence, Maiden Bradley.

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[1] Macaulay calls him "a man in whom the pride of birth and rank amounted almost to a disease." Opposed Monmouth's rebellion, but took arms with the Prince of Orange; bur. in Salisbury Cathedral, 1748, in his 87th year.

[2] His father, 4th Baronet, was Speaker of the House of Commons.

(To be continued.)

BRASS TO ANNE STILL IN HADLEIGH CHURCH, SUFFOLK.

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PLACE HOUSE, MELKSHAM, AND ITS OWNERS.

(*Continued from p.* 349.)

ANNE, widow of Isaac Selfe, the purchaser of Place House, long survived her husband. In 1706 (twenty-four years after his death) we find her still living there. In 1722, she had removed to Salisbury, and was dead in 1730.

Their eldest son, Jacob Selfe, born 1672, was the next owner of Place House, and it was during his residence here, in 1721-2, that his relative, Mr. Thomas Smith, of Shaw House, wrote the interesting Diary which has been already referred to, and which throws much light on the Selfe family history, their various relationships, and mode of living in the days of George I.

The male representatives of Selfe at that time, besides Jacob, of Place House (then a bachelor of nearly fifty), were his younger brother, Thomas, Rector of Bromham, with two sons, Thomas and Isaac, the eldest about 21; Isaac, of Benacre and the Middle Temple, his first cousin, and some ten years his senior (who is constantly referred to in the Diary as "Brother Selfe", having married in 1685, as his first wife, Ann Smith, sister of the Diarist, who died without surviving issue), Lucas

Selfe, his heir,[1] and Jacob (the "Capt. Selfe" of the Diary); two sons of Isaac by a second marriage with Penelope, daughter of Charles, Lord Lucas, in 1690.

Of their relatives, which were numerous, we find mention of William Norris, the purchaser of Nonsuch, in Bromham;[2] his sons, John and Selfe Norris; and his son-in-law Sir William Hanham, of Neston; Methuen, then of Bradford, who in the next generation became purchaser of Corsham; Wallis, of Lucknam; Guppy, of Sandridge Hill and Pickwick; Sadleir, of Devizes; Awdry, of Seend; Tuck, of Goatacre, in Hilmarton; Thresher, of Melksham and Bradford; Houlton, of Seend; Panton, of Jaggards, in Corsham—names, all of which will be found in the pedigree at p. 338. We also find mention in the Diary of visits paid to neighbouring gentry—Seymour (afterwards 8th Duke of Somerset) at Seend; Talbot, at Lacock; Ernle, at Whetham; and Webb, at Monkton Farley—of which latter property the Diarist himself became mortgagee.

They practised hospitality, constantly visiting and entertaining each other, when over their punch bowls they consulted of parish business, or discussed the various public topics of the day—the dissolution of Parliament, and the prodigious bribery at new elections—the proposed substitution of Mr. Goddard, of Swindon, as County Member, for Mr. Hyde, who had become both "antient and infirm"—the returns made for

[1] On 10 May 1721, the Diarist mentions an intended journey of Mr. Lucas Selfe, the heir of Beanacre, to Rome, &c., in company with his brother-in-law, Mr. Wallis, of Lucknam. On 5 July, he had been absent abroad some four or six weeks. He was living in 1742, and died s.p.

[2] This William Norris, who died in 1730, had married Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob Selfe, of Benacre (see pedigree p. 338); but singularly enough we find in the Melksham Parish Register an earlier marriage of William Norris and Elizabeth Selfe, in 1606. The latter individual is perhaps the "trusty servant and kinsman" whom Isaac Selfe the elder, in 1654, appoints as one of his executors. William Norris, of Melksham, and John Sadler, of Pickwick [a name which also occurs in the Selfe pedigree] are parties to a deed of 1657, relating to land in Miles Kington [Kington St. Michaels?].

the new Parliament—the enquiry into the South Sea Company's affairs, the "Bubble" having recently vanished, and Mr. Eyles, of the Southbroom family, Director, who had lost his seat as Member for Devizes—the committal of Mist, the journalist, for libel, &c. On one occasion the Diarist is sent for in the morning, by "Brother Selfe" to drink a "dish of tea" at Benacre with Mr. Diston—apparently Josiah Diston, a Blackwell Hall factor, who had several times, successfully and otherwise, contested the Borough of Devizes in the Whig interest. On another occasion, when in London, we find the Diarist with Mr. Diston, Mr. Francis Sadleir, a Devizes attorney, and others, at a Tavern until a late hour.

At fortnightly or monthly intervals, the Diarist, with "Brother Selfe", Mr. Jacob, of Place House, and others, sometimes nearly a dozen persons, dined together at John Beaven's, at "The George" in Melksham. Once he calls it the "Club day"—and remarks that it is "now an established Club".

On one occasion we find "Brother Selfe", on his way from Nonsuch to Benacre, "overturned in his chariot and much bruised"—a not uncommon occurrence in those days of bad roads. When journeying on business from Melksham to London at this date, the "two days' coach" was overtaken at Sandy Lane, where it halted on its way from Bath, and, travelling along the ancient track over Roundway Down, came to Newbury at night. Here, after a short rest in bed, the journey was again resumed, and the metropolis reached on the following evening.

But to return to the more immediate subject of our narrative.

In 1730, when at the age of 58, and still unmarried, Jacob Selfe, of Place House, conveyed his Melksham estate to trustees, viz., his cousin Isaac Selfe, of Benacre, and his heirs, to the use of himself for life; then to his younger brother Thomas, Rector of Bromham, for life; then to Isaac, the younger and only surviving son of Thomas, for life; then to the first and other sons of the said Isaac; in default to other

sons of Thomas; in default to Jacob Selfe, of Benacre (younger son of Isaac, the trustee) for life; then to the first and other sons of the said Jacob; and lastly, in default, to his own right heirs.

This conveyance is dated 22 May, and on the next day he made his will, as follows:—

[Consistory Court of Sarum, Reg. 4, No. 100.]

WILL OF JACOB SELFE, OF MELKSHAM.

In the name of God Amen. I Jacob Self, of Melksham, in the County of Wilts, gentleman, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do make this my last will and testament in manner following (that is to say) I bequeath unto my nephew Isaac Selfe and to my neece Betty Selfe, of the city of Bath, widow, Elizabeth Selfe, Anne Selfe, and Margaret Selfe (which said Isaac Selfe, Elizabeth Selfe, Anne Selfe, and Margaret Selfe are the sons and daughters of my brother Thomas Selfe, Rector of Bromham, in the said County) the summe of Forty Pounds apeice to be paid to them the said Isaac Selfe, Betty Selfe, Elizabeth Selfe, Anne Selfe, and Margaret Selfe severally within one year after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeath unto my neice Elizabeth, wife of Ambrose Goddard, of Rudlow, in the parish of Box, in the said county of Wilts, Esq., the summe of one hundred pounds of lawfull money of Great Britain, to be paid to her within one year after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeath unto my nephew, Ambrose Awdry, of Seend, in the parish of Melksham aforesaid, clothier, and to my neices Anne the wife of George Penny, of Sturminster, in the county of Dorset, Gent., Mary and Jane Awdry, son and daughters of my late sister Mrs. Mary Awdry, the summe of Forty pounds apiece to be paid them severally within a year after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Isaac Selfe, of Benacre in the parish of Melksham aforesaid, Esq., the summe of Ten pounds to buy him mourning, to be paid immediately after my decease. *Item* I give to my brother Ambrose Awdry the elder, of Seend, aforesaid, gent., and to my nephew the said Ambrose Goddard, and to my nephew the said George Penny, and to my neice Jane the wife of Ambrose Awdry my nephew, Ten pounds apiece to buy them mourning, to be paid unto them immediately after my decease. *Item* I give to the Revd. Mr. Stone, Curate of Melksham aforesaid (in case he shall live with me at the time of my decease) the summe of Ten ponnds to buy him mourning, and to be paid unto him immediately after my decease. *Item* I give unto my servant John Millard[1] (in case he shall be liveing with me at the time of my decease)

[1] On the outer wall of Melksham Church, against a buttress at the south-east angle, is a stone slab inscribed as follows:—

"To preserve the memory of JOHN MILLARD, generally called "*Old*

the yearly summe of Five pounds, to be paid to him dureing his natural life by my executor at the four most usual Feasts or days of payment in the year, that is to say, the Feasts of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. John the Baptist, St. Michael the Archangel, and St. Thomas the Apostle, by equal portions, the first payment thereof to begin on such of the said feasts as shall happen next after my decease. *Item* I give unto my late servant Elizabeth the now wife of Joseph Phips, of Melksham aforesaid, Innholder, the summe of Thirty pounds which she owes me on mortgage or some other security, and also all the Interest that shall be due for the same at the time of my decease, to be disposed of by her separately from her husband; and I do hereby direct my executor to assign and transfer the same mortgage or security unto some person whom the said Elizabeth Phips shall nominate in trust for the sole and separate use of the said Elizabeth Phips in such manner as the same Elizabeth Phips shall by any writing under her hand and seal direct or appoint, her coverture notwithstanding. *Item* I give to all and every other servant that shall be liveing with me at the time of my death Five pounds apeice to be paid within three months next after my decease, And to the Poor of Melksham Ten pounds. *Item* I give to Susannah Singer, widow, and daughter of George Woodward, of Bromham, aforesaid, yeoman, Ten pounds to be paid in three months after my decease. *Item* it is my desire that all my servants that shall be liveing with me at my decease shall have mourning, and I desire to be buried where my father was, and that a decent Monument be erected in memory of my Mother and me. Lastly, all the rest and residue of my goods, chattels and personal estate not before hereby bequeathed I give to my said brother Thomas Selfe, whom I do hereby make the sole executor of this my last will and Testament, revoking all former and other wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the Three and Twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord Christ, One Thousand Seven hundred and thirty. Jacob Selfe. Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of Sam. Martyn, John Gibbs.

[Proved at Devizes, 11 July 1735; and administration granted to Rev. Thos. Selfe, the executor named.]

Of the two sons of his brother Thomas, Rector of Bromham, Thomas, the eldest, had died, without issue, in 1726. The younger son, Isaac, married, in 1732, Ann, daughter of Charles Panton, M.D., late of Bath, deceased.[1] It was stipulated in the marriage articles that Thomas, the father,

Trusty", a faithful servant for almost 60 years, and to his last moment, in the family of SELFE, of Place-house in this parish, this stone is here placed by Richard Jenkyns, of Wells, Esq., a descendant of that family. The good old Man died S[ep]r. 6, 1 [*rest of date gone*], aged 74 years."

[1] The bride had, it appears, a sister, Mary Kington, widow, of Jaggards.

should convey to Isaac, the son, all his real estate in Melksham, for a consideration, including Place House, where the latter was the last resident owner. The plan of the property at page 252, from a survey by J. Cole, was made during his ownership, in 1734. He died, intestate and without issue, in 1738, at the age of 32, administration of his goods being granted to Ann, his widow.

[Archdeaconry of Sarum, N° 44, A° 1738.]

Administration of the goods of Isaac Selfe, of Melksham, Esquire, intestate, deceased, granted to Ann Selfe, relict of the said Isaac, on her oath taken 15 January 1738, with bond for the administration, signed by Ann Selfe, Cecilia Ponting, of Melksham, widow, and William Parvie, of the same, malster. (*The three seals bear the same device—a hound chasing a hare under a tree.*)

The Rector of Bromham survived his younger son nearly four years, and he, dying in 1741, left three daughters: Elizabeth, the eldest, married to the Rev. William Stone, Vicar of Ogbourne St. George, (2), Ann, to the Rev. Richard Jenkyns, and (3), Margaret, to James Yorke, of Wells.

The estate at Melksham, with Place House, next passed to Jacob (the "Capt. Selfe" of Smith's Diary), younger son of Isaac, of Benacre, and the Middle Temple, trustee of the settlement of 1730—by the terms of which Jacob, the son, as owner for life, was required to raise the sum of £1,000 on the estate to provide for the three daughters of the Rector of Bromham. This was advanced by Mrs. Ellen Thresher,[1] of Bradford, in 1747, on whose death the mortgage was transferred in 1756 to her two unmarried daughters, Mary and Dyonisia, to whom Place House was afterwards offered for sale, about 1790.

Captain Jacob Selfe, of Bradford, and Benacre, who was a benefactor to the poor of Melksham, died unmarried in 1757,

[1] Daughter of Henry Long, of Melksham, by Ellen, daughter of William Trenchard, of Cutteridge, in North Bradley. Ellen, the eldest daughter of Mrs. Thresher, married Sir Bourchier Wrey, of Tawstock, Devon, whose eldest daughter again married Richard Godolphin Long, of Rood Ashton.

when the estate reverted to the right heirs of the grantee. These were the representatives of the three daughters of the Rector of Bromham—Stone, of Ogbourne, Jenkyns, and Yorke, of Wells—the latter of whom died without surviving issue. The Rev. William Stone, only child of the eldest daughter, became Curate of Melksham and Seend. In 1730 he was living with his great uncle, Jacob Selfe, at Place House. He married a relative, Elizabeth Smith, of Lowbourne House, where he afterwards resided. His eldest daughter, Elizabeth, born about 1762, married Samuel Heathcote, of Shaw Hill, second son of Sir Thomas Heathcote, of Hursley, second Baronet.

The second daughter, Mrs. Jenkyns, had also a son Richard, a lawyer in Wells, who, before his death, was practically sole owner of Place House. An only daughter who predeceased him, at the age of 14, is buried at Melksham, where, outside the Church, but probably removed from within, is a slab, with this inscription :—

"Under this Stone
Lie Purity and Innocence, Modesty and Meekness,
Gentleness, Good nature, and Goodmanners
Concentered
in Anna Maria Jenkyns."

Having no surviving issue, and casting about for an heir, Mr. Jenkyns settled all his Melksham estate on the issue of his cousin Elizabeth, daughter of the Rev. William Stone, of Lowbourne House, who had married Samuel Heathcote.

Mr. Jenkyns made his will in 1789, and died 1806. Although a successful lawyer, he muddled his testamentary arrangements, and in the end a settlement had to be made after his death, with the consent of all necessary parties, to carry out his intentions.

A life interest was reserved to Mrs. Jenkyns, his widow, who died in 1825, when the Rev. Thomas Heathcote, only son of Samuel, by his wife Elizabeth [Stone] succeeded. He died in 1859, and his eldest son, Thomas Jenkyns Heathcote,

after various negotiations, sold Place House, which had then ceased to be habitable, in 1864.

Its occupiers after the death of the last Isaac Selfe, in 1738, were Paul Newman, clothier; a carpenter and builder, named Gerrish; and lastly Charles Maggs, who had a rope walk, and coal yard on the premises.

It would be interesting to trace, if possible, the history of the aisle, or chapel, on the south side of the chancel of Melksham Church. It dates apparently from the latter half of the 15th century, and appears to have followed the ownership of Place House, as though in the days of Amesbury Monastery it had some connexion with the manor; but the Certificates taken at the Dissolution of Chantries, and preserved at the Record Office, contain no mention of any foundation of this kind in the Church at Melksham.

Lastly, in concluding these notes on an old Wiltshire residence and its owners, my sincere thanks are due to Mr. T. G. J. Heathcote, for information respecting the Selfe family, from documents in his possession, which he has very kindly placed at my disposal.

I am also indebted to Mr. Heathcote for the fact that Isaac Selfe the elder [1564-1656], although apparently of Melksham parentage, first flourished as a Clothier at "Weeke", in Lacock, from which place he dates certainly as late as 1630—and from Benacre in 1647. His father is said to have been Edward Selfe, of Melksham, of which name there were two individuals holding an estate on lives, under Brouncker. On the death of the younger of these, Isaac purchased the reversion.

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RECORDS OF WILTSHIRE PARISHES.

ERCHFONT WITH STERT.

(*Continued from p.* 403.)

Erchfont.—[Court held there Tuesday next after feast of St. Denis, 3 Ric. II.]

John Pleyer comes and surrenders to use of Peter Dowal 1 acresmannesland, formerly Case's at the Lepeyate, foresaid Peter to hold the land by custom of manor for the due and customary rent and services, and gives 12*d.* fine to the Lady, and finds a pledge, viz., John Pleyer, senior, as well for rent as for services, and if Peter shall withdraw from the lordship or does not wish to hold the land, foresaid John binds himself to have it again for the accustomed rent and services.

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Simon Denge is in mercy for a false quarrel against Walter Rollingis and Christina his wife—6*d.*

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Escote.—Homagers present default of Rector of Edyngdon for land late William of Overton's.

William Shephurd, of Escote, cut down seven trees growing in his enclosure, which he held of the Lady, and carried them away oute the soil of the Rector of Edyngdon to build there; therefore he is in mercy—6*s.* 8*d.* William Reyngnald sold to William Shephurde 5 trees, which he cut down in his curtilage without licence; therefore in mercy—3*s.* 4*d.*

Wedhampton.—Homagers present that John Attewell, neif of the Lady, has made default, but it is witnessed that John is in the Lady's service at Froile; that Thomas Bright has not cleansed ditch between his tenement and that of William Attewell to annoyance of his neighbours, as he was bidden by the Lady's minister; therefore he is in mercy—3*s.* 2*d.*, and he is to amend by next court under penalty of 12*d.*

Erchfont.—Homagers present that John Porter, William Hopere, John Wodewe, are neifs in the Lady's service at Winchester. That John Cuyte has gone away outside the Lady's lordship, and also Joan, daughter of William Baldewene, neif; therefore homagers are to produce them at next court, on penalty for the first, of 2*s.*, and for Joan, of 40*d.* Tenements of Simon Denge called Copes, William Attewelle, and John Hopere, carpenter, are ruinous, and they are to mend them before next court under pain of 3*s.* Walter Rollyngis, keeper of the Lady's goods, in winter took and carried off Sayes goods,[1] more than he ought of right by his office, according to custom of manor. Therefore he is in mercy.

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John Smygh (? Smyth) plaintiff, offers himself against Simon Denge in a plea of trespass, whereof he complains that Simon while he was reeve sold him 3 oaks for ½ mark, of which oaks he has only had one oak.

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Edward Yonge is in mercy for trespass made against John Case, whose damages are taxed by homagers at 7 bushels of pease and 7*d.*

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Henry atte Provendre is in mercy for trespass against whole homage of Erchfont, in putting his pigs out on to the common pasture without their leave.

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Carion-men present 2 sheep, 1 ewe before shearing, 2 sheep and a ewe after shearing, 4 lambs after weaning and before shearing, 3 lambs after shearing in preceding year, and also 4 pigs and a hogget through no fault.

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[1] *Asportant Sayes bona plus quam deberet.* It has been suggested to me that "Sayes" is a clerical error for *Sepe*, and that the passage should read "carried off often goods more," &c., but the word "Sayes" is clearly written.

	s.	*d.*
From the common tallage at the Feast of S. Mark ...	66	8
From the pasturage of swine at the same feast	12	0
From the attachment of the Woodward	8	5
From the attachment of the Bailiff	15	10
From the fines of land		12
From the perquisites of the court	15	5

ERCHFUNTE.—Court held there 31st May, 3 Richard II.

WEDHAMPTON.—Homagers present that William West has defaulted, therefore he is in mercy 3*d.* That William Ere, who held of the Lady a messuage and a virgate of native land in Wedhampton, has ended his last day, by whose death the heriot, an ox, and the land remain in the Lady's hands.

ESCOTE.—Homagers present, &c. . . .

ERCHESFONTE.—Homagers present, &c. . . .

Geoffrey Foghel came to this court, and gives to the Lady 14*s.* 3*d.* fine for a cottage with curtilage in Erchesfonte, which belonged to William Wynebourne, who has fled from the lordship and left it, and which Julian, wife of William, surrendered into hands of the Lady in full court to behoof of Geoffrey, on condition that she shall have in said cottage, a chamber and a third part of foresaid curtilage and easement to a certain barton and a well of water therein at her will for life; by pledge of John Pillyngis. And he did fealty.

John Frankeleyn and Agnes, his wife, came to this court and gave 2*s.* fine for 2 acres of land and third part of half an acre of Gavellond at Escote and Wyke, which sometime was Thomas Bright's to hold at surrender of Walter Mayn for term of their lives at rent of 12*d.* yearly; by pledge of the Vicar of Erchesfonte. And they did fealty to the Lady.

William West and Henry Sterwoghe come and surrender a messuage and an acremanneslond and refuse to hold it any more, and William atte Mass' gives 6*d.* fine to hold same for due annual rent and service.

Twelve of the Lady's ploughmen offer themselves in plea of debt against Walter Helier, who is summoned and does not

come and is therefore to be attached by next court, and also against William Warner.

Peter Cope is in mercy for unjustly detaining 11*d.* and a bushel and 1 peck (?) of corn against Nicholas Meleward as same Peter acknowledges.

Nicholas Meleward is in mercy for his trespass against Peter Cope in making beer, wherein Peter relates his damages are to 30s., which damages however remain to be taxed at next court.

Peter Cope puts himself at his law against Nicholas Meleward, that he does not owe him, nor has unjustly detained 3 capons and 3 hens to the damage of 12*d.*, nor any money as is alledged, and he has a day to do his law four handed at next court, by pledge of John Smyth.

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William Peuerel and John Cornet are in mercy (3*d.* each) for trespass against the whole homage of Erchesfonte in its pasture to the damage of 3*s.* 4*d.* as homagers narrate, and William and John cannot deny it, therefore it is considered that the homage shall recover said damages.

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Robert Suoter (?) is in mercy for trespass against John Pillyngis, because he has not scoured the ditch between their lands, whereby water overflows on to land of said John to the damage of 40*d.* as is said, which is not yet to be taxed until next court.

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To this Court came John Hyne and surrendered 1 virgate of land, and 3 acres of "bordland" without house at Wyke to use of John Bachelor and Alice his wife, whereby there falls to the Lady for a heriot 6*s.* 8*d.* And afterwards John and Alice come and give 2*s.* 4*d.* fine to have said land for term of their lives.

John Langschephurde came and took of the Lady a messuage and a virgate of land, lately William Ere's for which

he gave 3*s.* 4*d.* fine, to hold the same for rent and service due and customary, beyond which he shall not do except 2 loads from feast of S^{t}. Michael in 4th year of the lord king until the same feast in the 5th year, foresaid 2 loads to be made at Michaelmas and Christmas then following, and from the 5th year of the king, as the other loads are made from the same tenure. And he does fealty; by pledge of William Schephurde, his brother, and William Foleweye.

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Erchesfonte.—Court held there 1 April, 6 Richard II.

Escote.—The homage sworn presents that William Bide, Clerk, freeman, has defaulted, therefore he is in mercy. Item, Walter of Wyke and William Annsel have made similar default, therefore they are in mercy. They are ordered to be distrained before next court for defaults of common suit. That John Arnold permits his tenements to be ruinous for want of repair; that he has often been amerced for this, and has not taken care to mend his tenement as commanded; therefore he is ordered to mend it fully before next court, upon pain of being put out from it. Item, it is reported by the inquest of the homage that John Arnold cut down and sold trees growing on their holdings of Brichces and Poleyns and Twangmanheyes to the number of 29, whereof 9 are oaks; he is to be distrained at next court. John Frankeleyn, tenant of land and tenement of the Rector of Edington, has not pannaged his pigs in Erchfont, which pannage he owes, therefore he is to be distrained against next court.

The homage of Escote present that the Rector of Edingdon, who held of the Lady a messuage and 3 carucates of land with other parcels and appurtenances in Escote is dead, therefore the bailiff is bidden to seize the heriot and distrain for the relief, and the tenant is ordered to be at next court to do to the Lady what rightly belongs to her, &c.

It is enjoined on whole homage of Erchesfonte, Wedhampton, and Escote, that they view and certify to next court

whether 2 acres of arable land at Litel Cleue pertain to the Abbess of S[t] Mary, Winchester, or to the Rector of Edyngdon, and that the bailiff have at next court the names of those by whom the view is taken. [They say that said 2 acres belong to the Rector of Edyngdon.]

That John Merles,[1] the miller at Sterte, knows by whom an oak was taken away from the wood of Crouk' and thence carried to Cannynges, therefore the homage is bidden to certify by whom, &c., by next court.

Wedhampton.—Homagers present, &c. . . . . that Richard Spicer sold 2 cartloads of timber from his holding without licence, and that same Richard handed over to divers men parcels of his land for sowing without licence, therefore he is in mercy (for both faults 2*d.*). That Peter Cope sold an acre of his land without licence, therefore he is in mercy (1*d.*).

The land of John Sire remains in the Lady's hands, viz., 1 messuage and 7 acremannesland, because no one has come for it.

It is enjoined on the whole homage that under pain of 20*s.* they view the land of the Abbess and of Roger Hopere and of John Reyngnald, which land lies on the Down, and to certify to the court if the foresaid Thomas [*sic*] has ploughed there more than 12 acres of land, which he lately purchased of the Lady. [They say that he has not ploughed more than he ought.]

Erchesfont.—Homagers present that Thomas Curtayes made the high way worse towards his tenement to the annoyance of his neighbours, and all coming thereon, therefore he is in mercy and is ordered to mend it before next court. That John Frankeleyn, vicar of Erchesfonte, and John Hopkyns, his servant, have rooted out a certain stone lying between the Lady's land and that of John Maleweyn, together with willows, ashes and other trees growing there, which were the metes between foresaid lands. Therefore it is ordered that they be

[1] Interlined afterwards.

distrained before next court. That the gutter which William Frankeleyn is held to clean is stopped up, to nuisance of the Lady and neighbours and all others, therefore he is to be distrained for the transgression. Richard Spicer sold ½ acre of his land without licence, therefore he is in mercy.

John Peche has cleaned his ditch towards his tenement as he was bidden, therefore process is to cease against him.

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To this court comes William Bacheler, junior, and takes of the Lady 8 acres of arable land lying in the eastern part of Whitewye, on the fore down, to hold to him for 12 years for yearly rent 2*s.* 8*d.* at Michaelmas for all service, and gives for a fine for entrance 6*d.* And he did fealty by pledge of John Bachelor.

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Sum of this court—16*s.* 2*d.*, whereof { the fines of land 6*d.*, the perquisites of the Court, 15*s.* 8*d.* } from

Names of Affeerers { John Pillyngis, Peter Cope } with the Reaper and the Woodward.

[Court held on Thursday, morrow of S[t]. Mary Magdalen in above year.]

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To this court came Richard Spicer and surrendered into the Lady's hands a messuage and curtilage, with an acre-manneslond in Erchesfonte, called Dore-Welleslond, to use of John Taillour, who gives 6*s.* 8*d.* fine to the Lady to hold said messuage, curtilage and acremanneslond according to custom of the manor, by pledge of John Homan. And he has done fealty.

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[Court held Saturday after the feast of S[t]. Martin, 6 Richard II.]

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To this court came Geoffrey Foughel, Robert Smoter and John Hopere, carpenter, and together took of the Lady a croft

called Verncroft, containing 20 acres of arable land, to hold to them for term of their lives and of the longest liver of them for yearly rent of 20*s.* to be paid in equal portions at Feasts of the Annunciation of B. V. Mary and of Michaelmas, and 4 capons at Michaelmas. And they give fine of 10*s.* for their entrance. And they have done fealty, &c.

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[Court held Friday, 4 July, 7 Richard II.]

[The Presentments of the homagers of Wedhampton, Estcote and Erchesfont are followed by usual report on murrain, which for this year was as follows]:—

Carion-men present that 3 rams, 94 sheep before shearing, 51 ewes, whereof 8 before lambing,[1] 6 hoggets before shearing, 168 lambs before weaning, and 1 lamb afterwards and before shearing, and 11 pigs died through the fault of no keeper.

The homage of Escote is ordered on pain of ½ mark by next court to put the metes and bounds between the demesne lands and the lands of the tenants there.

Erchesfont.—Court held there Tuesday, 20th October, 7 Richard II.

Wedhampton.—Homagers come and present, &c. . . .

Escote.—Homagers present that the Rector of Edingdon and William Bide make default; they are ordered to be distrained before next court. That the woodward of Crouk has permitted pasture within the wood to be destroyed[2] through his fault by divers strange pigs. That Thomas Aas with his sheep occupied pasture of the moor from feast of the Annunciation to Pentecost, therefore he is in mercy (1*d.*). And John Caas and John Vel have occupied several pastures of the Lady on the Down with 100 sheep, which they ought not to occupy, therefore they are in mercy (Caas 6*d.* and Vel 4*d.*), and the farm bailiff is ordered to remove them before next

[1] *Ante Agnel'.* [2] *District* in the roll, presumably for *distructus.*

court. Henry Denys has permitted his ditch near the Moor to be unscoured, which he is bidden amend before next court on the penalty of 20*s.*

Erchesfonte.—Homagers come and present, &c. . . .

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To this court comes Walter Skyllyng, Rector of the church there, and surrenders into hands of the Lady a messuage and a (?) virgate of land, which Richard Colyns and William Stodle lately held, formerly belonging to John Simund, whereof there falls as a heriot an ox worth 7*s.* 8*d.* to use of Simon Hulle, to hold to said Simon and Christian his wife for term of their lives for yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* at the 4 usual terms, and suit of court, and the heriot when it happens. And they give to the Lady 6*s.* 8*d.* fine. Tallage and pannage and other services as Richard and William were accustomed to do them. And they have done fealty.

To this court came Roger Foist, of Foleway, and took of the Lady a park called the Langelegh, together with pasture for 4 farm houses in Cowfrith and Ridelflat. To have and hold from Michaelmas last to end of 3 years for yearly rent of 46*s.* 8*d.*, to be paid in equal portions at Easter and Michaelmas. And he gives nothing to the Lady for fine. And he has done fealty.

Erchfont.—Court held there Tuesday, 7 May, 10 Richard II.

Escote.—Homagers come, &c. . . . . .

Wedhampton.—Homagers come, &c. . . . . .

Erchesfunte.—Homagers there come and present that Henry Provendre, Nicholas Mulleward have not come, therefore they are in mercy. [Afterwards H. Provendre came.] That Simon Denge and John Osmund permit their tenements to be ruinous; therefore in mercy, and are bidden to mend them before next court. That John Osmund took certain stones from the highway; therefore he is in mercy, and bidden to bring them back before next court. That William Tors permits his enclosure to be uncovered to the nuisance of the

Lady, therefore he is bidden to be distrained before next court. That Robert Helier cut down an oak in his enclosure without licence, therefore he is in mercy (*2d*). That Henry Provendre allows a way to be overflown through his ditch near that way wanting scouring. That John Frankeleyn and Edith Slyward put manure in the common street, and that William Reynold allows his ditch to be unscoured. [They are fined *1d.* each, and ordered to amend before next court.]

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To this court comes John Flaundres and gives to the Lady 40*s.* fine as well to have a messuage with a curtilage and ½ hide of land in Wedhampton, lately belonging to John Hyne, as to marry Elen, widow of said John, to hold according to custom of manor, and to pay rent and do services as John Hyne paid and did them. And he has done fealty to the Lady, and has a day for paying fine, feast of St. Peter-in-Chains and feast of St. Denis next.

Erchfont.—Delivery of oaks in Croukwod, 10 Richard II.

Thomas Bruggeman,	1 trunk.	John Pyllyng,	1 trunk.
Walter Smyth,	1 trunk.	William Wodwe,	1 trunk.
John Cok,	1 trunk.	William Harryes,	1 trunk.
Robert Lange,	1 trunk.	Simon Hulle,	1 cartload of wood.
William Schephurd,	1 trunk.	Walter Skynnere,	1 cartload of wood.
William atte Well,	1 trunk.	Thomas Capron,	1 trunk.
John Pleiere,	1 trunk.	John Vel,	1 cartload of wood.
William Warrenner,	1 trunk.	John Bacheler,	1 cartload of wood.
John Hurne,	1 trunk.	William Foleway,	1 cartload of wood.
John Cole,	1 oak.	The Bailiff of Canynges,	7 trunks.
Rector of Edyngdon,	2 trunks.	Item, for drying malt at Erchesfonte.	20 trunks.
John Edyngdon,	1 oak.		
William Rolfe,	1 trunk.	Simon Beste,	1 trunk.
John Case, 6 trunks for his hearth.			

Erchfont.—Court held there on Tuesday, the Feast of St. Michael, 10 Richard II.

Escote. . . . . .

Wedhampton.—The Homagers come and present. . . . That Richard Spicer felled two elms in his enclosure without licence, therefore he is mercy (*12d.*). And a tenement with 2 virgates of land in Wedhampton, which he held, are ordered

to be seized into the Lady's hands because it is presented by the whole homage from day to day he has allowed it to be thoroughly in decay.

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Erchesfont.—The homagers present, &c. . . . And the whole homage is bidden to cause the common way by Monkesdych to be mended before Easter upon pain of 20*s.* (?). They present that the way called Mildestret is flooded through the fault of John Frankelayn and John Eyr; therefore they are in mercy (1*d.* each), and ordered to amend before next court.

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From the common tallages of neifs at the Lady's will this year, 66*s.* 8*d.*. From the pannage of customary pigs at the feast of St. Mark, 8*s.* 8½*d.* From the pannage of the pigs of strangers in Croukwod this year, 13*s.* 9*d.*

Murrain.—The Carion men[1] come and present 1 sheep, 1 ewe, 1 hogget before shearing dead of murrain through the fault of no keeper.

To this court comes William Folewey and surrenders a messuage with a curtilage and 2 virgates of land in Wedhampton, late John Schephurd's, whereof there falls to the Lady of the heriots 1 ox, besides 13*s.* 4*d.*: to the use of John Cope, who gives the fine of 40*s.* to have the said messuage, and to hold it according to the custom of the manor for the same rent and services as John Schephurd. And he has done fealty; by the pledge of Peter Cope and William atte Well.

To this court comes Andrew Skarlet and gives 6*s.* 8*d.* fine to have a messuage with curtilage and a soiseil of land in Erchfont, lately Robert Vel's, and to marry Alice Bond; to hold according to the custom of the manor for the same rent and services as the said Robert, by the pledge of John Case, and he has done fealty.

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(To be continued.)

[1] *Cadoveratores.*

QUAKERISM IN WILTSHIRE.

III.—BIRTH RECORDS.

SECOND SERIES—1700 to 1750.

(*Continued from p.* 410.)

S.

1729-9-20.—Isaac SELF, son of John Self.

1729-10-30.—John STOVEY, son of Wm. Stovey.

1730-6-31.—Wm. SHUTE, son of Tho. and Mary Shute.

1731-1-25.—Creasey SELF, son of John and Elizabeth Self, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1732-1-14.—Ann STOVEY, dau. of Wm. Stovey.

1732-3-30.—Hannah SHUTE, dau. of Thomas and Mary Shute, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1732-6-26. John SELF, son of John and Eliz. Self, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1733-6-14.—Hannah SANGER, dau. of Sam[l] & Mary Sanger, of Melksham.

1734-1-7.—Jno. STAFFORD, son of John and Mary Stafford.

1734-2-2.—Henry SEALE, son of Henry and Mary Seale, of Marlboro.

1735-9-8.—Henry SANGER, son of Sam[l] and Mary Sanger, of Melksham.

1735-10-31.—Ann SEALE, dau. of Henry, jun., and Mary Seale, of Marlboro.

1736-7-14.—Mary STAFFORD, dau. of Jno. and Mary Stafford.

1736-11-8.—Jane STOVEY, dau. of William, jun., and Mary Stovey, of Corsham.

1737-6-27.—Sarah SEALE, dau. of Henry, jun., and Mary Seale, of Marlbro.

1737-6-31.—Rachael STAFFORD, dau. of Jno. and Mary Stafford.

1737-12-18 [25].—Sam[l] SANGER, son of Sam[l] and Mary Sanger, of [Melksham.]

1738-4-1.—Sarah SELF [Selfe], dau. of John and Eliz. Self, of [Devizes].

1738-7-3.—John SOMNER, son of Thomas & Anna Somner, of Sceend.

1738-9-7.—Richard STAFFORD, son of Jno. and Mary Stafford.

1738-9-15.—Isaac SELF, son of Isaac and Elizabeth Self, of Lavington.

1738-9-17.—Mary SEALE, dau. of Henry and Mary Seale.

1738-10-10.—Samuel SANGER, son of Samuel and Mary Sanger, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1739-11-23.—Jacob SELFE, son of John & Eliz. Selfe, of Devizes.

1740-3-14.—Richard STAFFORD, son of Jno. and Mary Stafford.

1740-8-4.—Elizabeth SEALE, dau. of Henry and Mary [May] Seale, of Marlbro.

1740-10-16.—Sam[l] SHURMER, son of Sam[l] and Mary Shurmer, of Charlcott Monthly Meeting.

1741-5-5.—Elizabeth STAFFORD, dau. of Jno. and Mary Stafford.

1741-12-14.—Daniel SANGER, son of Samuel and Mary Sanger, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1742-1-30.—Rachael SEALE, dau. of Henry and Mary Seale, of Marlbro.

1743-3-27.—Organ Furnel SELF, son of Isaac and Eliz. Self, of Lavington.

1743-4-4.—Priscilla SEALE, dau. of Henry and Mary Seale, of Marlbro.

1744-3-28.—James SANGER, son of Samuel and Mary Sanger, of Melksham.

1744-11-10.—John SEAL [Seale], son of Henry and Mary [Seale], of Marlbro.

1745-12-25.—Chatherine SEAL [Catherine Seale], dau. of Henry and Mary Seal [Seale], of Marlbro.

1746-12-11.—Daniel SARGENT, son of Daniel Sargent, jun., of Griddleton.

1747-2-28.—William SANGER, son of Samuel and Mary Sanger, of Melksham.

1748-10-19.—Isaac SARGENT, son of Daniel and Jane Sargent, of Griddleton.

1750-8-5.—Mary SARGENT, dau. of Daniel and Jane Sargent, of Griddleton.

T.

1700/1-1-15.—Sarah TRUMAN, dau. of Richard and Sarah Truman, of Fisherton Anger.

1701-9-27.—Mary TYLER, dau. of Jonathan and Catherine Tyler, of Bradford.

1704-4-7.—At Bradford, Jonathan TYLER, son of Jonathan and Katherine Tyler, of Bradford.

1706-6-25.—Charles TYLER, son of Jonathan and Catharine Tyler, of Bradford.

1707-6-19.—John TRULAND, son of Thomas and Hannah Truland, of Bratton, Westbury ph.

1707-8-21.—At Bradford, Ann TYLER, dau. of Jonathan and Katherine Tyler, of Bradford.

1708-6-19.—At Braton, John TROWLAND, son of Thomas and Hannah Trowland.

1710-2-8.—At Bratton, Elizabeth TREWLAND, dau. of Thomas and Hannah Trewland, of Bratton.

1710-9-16.—William TARRENT, son of Thomas and Mary Tarrent, of Comerwell, Bradford ph.

1711-10-23.—William TRUMAN, son of Richard and Martha Truman, of Caln.

1712-2-7.—Mary TRULAND [TREWLAND], dau. of Thomas and Hannah Truland [Trewland] [of Warminster].

1713-10-25.—Susanna TRUMAN, dau. of Rich[d] and Martha Truman, of Avon, Xtn. Malford ph.

1714/15-12-10.—At Warminster, Thomas TRULAND, son of Thomas and Hannah Truland, of Warminster.

1731-2-25.—Jane TAYLOR, dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth Taylor, of Charlcott Monthly Meeting.

1732/3-11-24.—Ann TAYLOR, dau. of Thomas and Eliz[a] Taylor, of Charlcott Monthly Meeting.

1735-7-18.—Katherine TYLER, dau. of Charles and Sarah Tyler, of Lavington Monthly Meeting.

1737-2-7.—Jonathan TYLER, son of Cha. and Sarah Tyler, of Bearfield.

1737-8-24.—Marg[t] TAYLER, dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth Tayler, of Charlcott Monthly Meeting.

1738-11-6.—Elizabeth TYLER, dau. of Charles and Sarah Tyler.

1740-1-17.—Thomas Hull TYLER, son of Charles and Sarah Tyler.

1741-8-30.—Jonathan TAYLER [TAYLOR], son of Wm. Tayler [William Taylor] [of Charlcott Monthly Meeting].

1744-6-25.—Sar Tyler, dau. of Charles and Sarah Tyler.

1749-8-22.—Mary Tuffen, dau. of John [and Katherine] Tuffen, of Marlbro.

Norman Penney.

Devonshire House,
Bishopsgate, E.C.

(*To be continued.*)

A CALENDAR OF FEET OF FINES FOR WILTSHIRE.

(*Continued from p.* 406.)

Elizabeth.

88. Anno 3.—William Blacker *and* Charles Richardson, *alias* Wotton, and Dorothy his wife; messuages and lands near the Close in New Sarum. £20

89. Anno 3.—Thomas Blanchard *and* John Nowell, yeoman; lands in Boxe and Dycherydge. £80.

90. Anno 3.—Thomas Goddard *and* John Brynde; messuages and lands in Wanborowe. £40.

91. Anno 3.—Alexander Langford *and* Thomas Halle and Joane his wife; messuages and lands in Trowbridge. £10.

92. Anno 3.—Henry Bruncker, arm., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm.; messuages and lands in Melksham. £320.

93. Anno 3.—Joane Sloper, widow, *and* John Yonge; messuages and lands in Marlebroughe. £40.

94. Anno 3.—Marmaduke Claver *and* William Edmunde and Richard Watts; messuages and lands in Okyngham. £40.

95. Anno 3.—Francis Vaughan *and* Anthony Stylman and Alice his wife, and William Kyrley; messuages and lands in Combe Bissett.

96. Anno 3.—William Grove *and* John Marwood and Margaret his wife; messuages and lands in Sutton Parva and Fenny Sutton. £40.

97. Anno 3.—Christopher Harryson *and* Edward Cuffe and Joane his wife; messuages and lands in New Sarum. £100.

98. Anno 3.—Francis Cullwell, *alias* Cullell, *and* William Weltden & Mary his wife; one half of messuages and lands in Lokyngton and Sherston. £40.

99. Anno 3.—James Pagett, arm., *and* Richard Tonnowe and Mary his wife; messuages and lands in Powlton. £40.

100. Anno 3.—William Earl of Pembroke *and* Edward Welshe, arm., and Alice his wife; the grange of Cowfold, messuages and lands in Cowfold. 130 marks.

101. Anno 3.—John Smythe *and* Andrew Hillersden, gen., messuages and lands in Shawborne, Westcourte. £30.

102. Anno 3.—John Signet, junr., *and* Robert Puntar; messuages and lands in Chippenham, and common of pasture in Rowdensdowne in Chippenham. £40.

103. Anno 3.—Henry Crowe *and* William Rede, gen., and Matilda his wife; messuages and lands in Devizes. £40.

104. Anno 3.—John Webbe, gen., *and* John Huse, *alias* Husse, gen., and Margaret his wife; messuage in the city of New Sarum, in the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle. £40.

105. Anno 3.—Thomas Holbroke *and* Giles Horssiginton and Richard Horssiginton, gen.; messuages and lands in Colerne. £40.

106. Anno 3.—Robert Matson *and* John Barnabie and Elizabeth his wife; messuages and lands in New Sarum. £40.

107. Anno 3.—Richard Springham, citizen and mercer of London, *and* Cuthbert Vaughan, armiger, and Elizabeth his wife; the manor of Barwyk Basset and Richardston, *als.* Ricarston, messuages and lands in Barwick Basset and Richardston, *als.* Ricarston. £620.

108. Anno 3.—Anthony Abarrowe, gen., *and* William Batten, gen.; messuages and lands in Come Byssett. £40.

109. Anno 3.—Elizabeth Parkyns, widow, *and* Susan Mompesson; lands in Est Apeshull. £40.

110. Anno 3.—John Englefielde and Richard Brunynge, arm., *and* Susanna Mompesson; messuages and lands in Mylford, Pycherd, Tedrington, Knoke and Fynye Sutton. £220.

111. Anno 3.—John Mitchell and Edward Mitchell, gen., *and* William Savile, gen.; half the manor of Blackland and Backhampton, and half of certain messuages and lands in Blackland, Calne, Backhampton and Avebury, with half the advowson of the churches of Blackland and Backhampton. £190.

112. Anno 3.—Thomas Long, senr., *and* Edward Baynton, arm.; manors of Chapmansslade and Goddesfelde; messuages and lands in Chapmansslade, Goddesfelde, Wesbury under the Plain, and Cosley. £97.

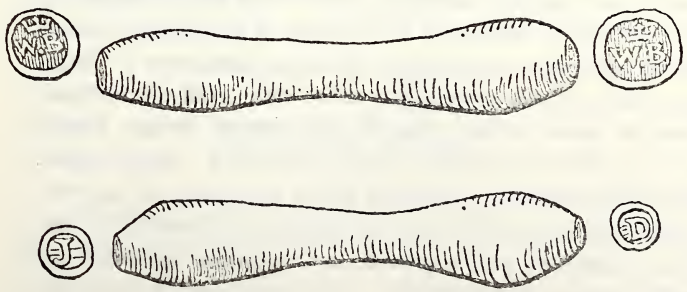
113. Anno 3.—Thomas Potycarie *and* Richard Whitts; messuages and lands in Wilton. 20 marks.

E. A. Fry.

(*To be continued.*)

WIG CURLERS.

While looking through two or three small collections of old tobacco pipes, found by some of my neighbours in and about Marlborough, I have come across several specimens of another object made in pipeclay, baked into a hard condition. These are dug up here from time to time in roads and gardens.



They are something like a miniature of the old-fashioned double-headed pestle (only with ends too delicately tapered for

braying anything), or like a toy pillaret, and are quite smooth. Finding them in company with tobacco pipes, I at first (as others, I find, also have supposed) thought they might be tobacco stoppers. They might serve for such for the bountiful pipes of the present day, for smokers regardless of the tobacco duties; but they proved to be too large for the fairy pipes of Jacobean or Caroline times, and some of them I found to be unnecessarily large even for the Georgian and early Victorian churchwarden pipe. I next pondered in my mind whether they were not spools or bobbins used for the industries which once flourished in Marlborough as in other towns in Wiltshire.

But our local antiquary, Mr. J. W. Brooke, having suggested to me that they were *wig-curlers*, I bethought me of the indexes to *N. & Q.* (Lond.); and there, sure enough, I find a correspondence in 6 S., iii, 328, 493; iv, 273, anent certain "cylindrical hard-baked clay pillars, from two to three inches in length", found twenty feet below the surface (probably in what we should call a "*tin-pit*" here, *i.e.*, an old rubbish hole), in Kilburn, Barnet, and other places. A correspondent (T. N.) sets the matter at rest by referring to an illustrated monograph on wig-curlers, by Mr. H. Syer Cuming, in the *Journal of the British Archæological Association*, Dec. 1876, vol. xxxii, p. 468. "Tiny Tim" mentions that it is "customary among the lower orders to use a heated tobacco pipe for curling the hair". The old tobacco pipe stems were somewhat shorter than those of modern clays, but it seems that the name "pipes" or "clay-pipes" is technically given by wig-makers to the clay cylinders made in the latter part of the eighteenth century, and to some extent ousted by the less durable curlers made of cane or willow wood. That friend of my childhood, the *Book of Trades*, tells us, in somewhat faulty grammar, that "hair which does not curl naturally is brought to it by boiling, and by baking, in the following manner: after having sorted the hair, it is rolled up and tied down upon little cylindrical instruments, either of wooden or earthen ware, called pipes, in which state they are put into a vessel over the fire, and boiled about two hours; they

are then taken out and dried in a warm room, and sent to be baked in the oven" (vol. ii, p. 29, ed. 1804). The hair was held in a wooden "jigger", one end of which was secured to the bench, the other fitted with a stirrup; and then the meshes of hair, by means of a string, were deftly rolled up the pipes, and so secured before boiling. The Rev. J. Pickford (*N. & Q.*, 6 S., vol. iii, 493) reminds us that Sterne tells that the Ramilies wig of Tristram Shandy's *Uncle Toby* was "put into fresh pipes" by his servant.

The longest of the wig-curlers which I have measured is just three inches in length; the shortest, two-and-a-half inches. In diameter they measure about three-quarters of an inch in the thickest part towards the two ends, but they taper to about half an inch in the middle, and about a quarter inch at the flattened extremities. On the two ends of them a maker's trade-mark is stamped or traced in a circle, like the mark on old tobacco pipes. Among those in the possession of Mr. W. Morris Glass one is marked with "W. B.", crowned, at either end. Another has what I think is a bold-faced letter, "J", of the style used by goldsmiths in the hall-mark of a century ago (only here in a circle), but there are transverse lines, which make the letter rather indistinct, and which may, I suppose, be due to the clay having adhered to a stamp or die.

CHR. WORDSWORTH.

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Marlborough.

WILTSHIRE BRIEFS.

Allow me to add to former lists of Briefs this from Enford, lately made and not certified as complete for subsequent years, as the dates are rather early.

There are several curious items that require explanation. Can any of your readers furnish it?

Entered in Register, Enford, Wilts :—

			£	s.	d.
1661, July	—.	Oxford	0	7	6
	—— [*sic*].	Briefe in the County of Devon ..		3	4
Aug.	11.	Pontefract in Yorke		6	0
,,	18.	Fakenham in Norfolk		6	0
Sept.	18.	Drayton in Salop		7	0
,,	15.	Fleet Street in London		4	0
Oct.	20.	South in County of Suffolk		5	0
Nov.	23.	The Protestants of Lithuania ..		3	10
		John Royston Parson of Shaws		5	3
1662, Jan.	25.	Walters briefe of Redrife ..		4	3
		Hereford	1	4	0
Aug.	24.	The Prlamation [Prlam *sic*] for fishing		4	8
Oct.	5.	Gathered for Charles Titford of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London, 24 shillings and ten pents [*sic*].			
1663, Apr.	5.	Fordingbridge		3	3
Apr.	12.	Layton in Summestshire ..		2	10
1663 [*sic*], Jan.	13.	Witheham in Sussex		8	6

C. V. Goddard.

SALE OF THE TOWNSHEND HEIRLOOMS.

Amongst the many pictures contained in the above, sold by Messrs. Christie in March of this year, were the following of interest to our County :—

Laurence Washington, of Garsden, Wilts, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas; father of Elizabeth Shirley, Countess Ferrers; and ancestor of Charlotte Compton, who brought into the Townshend family the Baronies of Chartley and Compton by her marriage with George, first Marquess Townshend. In dark dress, with white lawn collar; his coat-of-arms suspended by his side; *on panel*, 22½in. by 16½in.; 50 guineas. *The Times*, March 5th, thus comments: "This is a most interesting portrait of a collateral relative of George Washington, the first President

of the United States, and the coat-of-arms shown in this picture—*Argent, two bars, and in chief three mullets gules*—is identical with that of the President; the national emblem, the stars and stripes, is said to have been derived therefrom."

Sir William Jones (1631-82), Solicitor-General and Attorney-General in the reign of Charles II; directed the "Popish Plot" prosecutions, and Stafford's trial; M.P. for Plymouth; father of Lady Pelham. In black dress with white collar; flowing wig; in an oval. *Signed and dated* 1682 by S. Dubois; 29in. by 24in. He is "the bull-faced Jonas" in Dryden's *Absalom and Achitophel*; his wife Elizabeth was a daughter of Sir Edmond Alleyne, Bart., of Hatfield Peveril, co. Essex. He was owner of Ramsbury Manor,[1] and was buried in the chancel of the church there, with a monument on which is a life-sized effigy, in a recumbent position, clothed in official robes, holding a roll in his hand with a Latin inscription. Here also is a monument to Samuel Jones, his brother, 1686, who presented to the church a silver salver, some linen, and a Communion table. He was buried in linen, for which the fine of £5 was paid. Close by is one to William Jones, eldest son and last of the male line of William Jones, of Ramsbury Manor, by Eleanor, dau. of Edward Ernle, of Brimslade Park in this County, with medallion profile of the deceased, 1766.

Lady Jones, wife of the above. In black dress, with black headdress and veil; white lawn collar; in an oval. *Signed, &c., and of the same size as above.*

The pair fetched 180 guineas.

Ann Hyde (1637-71), daughter of the Earl of Clarendon, first wife of James II. In yellow dress, with blue cloak, resting her head upon her right hand; 49in. by 39in.; 240 guineas. One of the many portraits of her, painted by her protegé Lely. Her grandmother said to have been born at Trowbridge, *W. N. & Q.*, iii, pp. 426-7, 480. She was bur., 1671, in the Royal Vault in Westminster Abbey; her grandmother, Mary, dau. of Edward Langford, of Trowbridge, was bur., 1661, "at foot of steps going up to K. H. 7 Chapel."

JOHN NOYES, OF CALNE.

(*Continued from p.* 424.)

VII.

Dearly beloved Mistris Ducket, my dewtie remembred, I am bolde to write vnto you, not in contempt or controllment eyther of Mr. Ducket or youreselfe, as the great God of heaven dothe beare me witnes, but

[1] Purchased by him of Henry Powle, who had bought it of Philip, 7th Earl of Pembroke, for £30,000.

rather in great compassion and pittie towardes you bothe. Where the faulte is of this sorowful and sinneful separation betwene youre husband and you, I do not knowe; but this I knowe that youre case is verie miserable and lamentable, and therefore leavinge the cause and occasion I will come to the comfort which I can aforde you in this youre present state, and condition. It is the lotte and portion of everie Christian to suffer with Christ not in one kinde alone, but in everie kinde of crosse and affliction whatsoever. I see that this is youre present crosse that you must take vp and beare after youre Master Christ, namely after a sorte to be forsaken or at the least to be neglected of youre naturall and earthlie husband, for remedie whereof the best counsell that I can geve you is this, namely, to remember that you have another husband in heaven, even Jesus Christ the Sonne of God, to whom you are married by faythe, whose spirituall wife you are, whose sister you are, whose member you are, and with whome you are a coheyer, whose kingdome is youres, and whose glorie is youres, and all that ever he hathe is youres. His wisedome, his righteousness, his redemption, and his sanctification is wholie and altogether youres.

Remember I praye you that it fareth betwene Christ and youre soule, as it is, or ought to be betwene a man and his wife, all thinges be, or ought to be common. The husband hathe not the power of his owne bodie, but the wife, and likewise the wife hathe not the power of her owne bodie but the husband, and therefore they ought not to defrawde one another except it be with consent for a tyme to geve themselves to spirituall exercises, as prayer and fastinge. And this I woulde have you to applye vnto yourselfe by a spiritnall vnderstandinge, namely that Christ hathe not the power of himselfe, nor of his own righteousness, for he hath geven himselfe, and all his holynes and righteousness wholie vnto you, if ever you have beleeved in his name, so that he hathe no power, nor will to devide himselfe from you againe, nor to take from you his righteousness, which he hathe bestowed vppon you of his free mercye, bountie, and goodnes. He can not denye himselfe, his giftes and callinge are without repentance; on thother side you have not the power of youre selfe to do with youreselfe and youre owne soule what pleaseth you, no you can not condemne youre selfe for althoughe you sinne, yet you shall not sinne vnto death, althoughe you fall yet he will raise you vp againe by fayth and repentance. He hathe bought you with a price, you are not youre owne but his, and therefore he will not lose you. He hathe made himselfe to be sinne for you, that you thorowe him shoulde be made the righteousnes of God: yea he hathe made a most excellent and a most bountifull exchaunge with you. He hath geven you his righteousnes, for your sinnes. He is, if I maye so saye, a great loser by you, and you are a great gayner by him, for he lost his reputation with men to bringe you into estimation with God. He leaft his kingdome for a while, to make you a partaker of his kingdome for ever, he laied downe his life for you for a season, to the intent that you might live with him for ever. All these thinges I have repeated because I woulde have you thinke, that howsoever a woman maye be forgotten and forsaken by her earthlie husband, yet she can never be forgotten and for-

saken of her spirituall husbande. Men maye be wearie of theyer first love, men maye deceave, men maye defrawde, men may vtterly relinquishe theyer wives, and cleave vnto straunge fleshe, but it can not be so with Christ, that he shoulde forget and forsake his churche beinge his wife, of which churche you are a member, and the wife of Christ for youre owne part. Comfort youreself with these meditations, and suffer with youre husband Christ for a littell while that you maye raigne with him for ever in his kingdome and glorie.

Now on the other side if there be in youre selfe any iust cause of this seperation betwene you and youre husbande, I beseeche you to amende it, and to reconcile youre selfe vnto him by submission and vnfeyned obedience, knowinge that you are thereunto called, to obeye and not to rule, to be taught, and not to teach, to followe, and not to be followed, to please, and not to displease. Yea and if at any time youre husbande do iustlie offende you, and you do wronge, yet you must remember that you have no other remedie but by petition and counsell, by gentle behaviour, and courteous conversation, that as St. Peter sayeth, the husbande may be woone by the godly and pure conversation of the wife beinge coupled with fear and reverence. I beseeche you also to praye vnto God to forgeve you youre sinnes, and to open youre eyes to knowe and to discerne the iust cause of this division betwene you and youre husbande, that the cause beinge knowen and repented on youre behalfe, you maye be the more willinge to be reconciled to youre husbande againe.

And forget not I beseeche you to praye for youre husbande also, that it woulde please God to open his eyes that he also for his parte maye see his owne error, and to repent it, that so he maye performe the promise which he made vnto you before God and his Angells. But if it so fall out, that by no meanes there can be peace and agrement betwene you, then I beseeche you to returne by faythe and repentance vnto youre husband Christ, for then you shall be better then you are now. O love him for he loved you first. Indevor youre selfe that you maye be all glorious within, with fayth, love, holynes and modestie, and so he will have pleasure to beholde the beawtie of youre holy and heavenly behavioure. O kisse and imbrace him, for he kisseth and imbraceth you dayely with the sweete promises of the gosple of lyfe. He wooeth and inviteth you to come vnto him, and he will ease you of all youre sorrowes and afflictions. His love is passinge the love of men, he will be more kinde and lovinge vnto you, then ever was Jonathan vnto David, for althoughe they loved one another as theyer owne soules, yet was theyer love nothinge in respect of that love wherewith Christ will embrace you if you can repent and beleve. For he gave his life for you, and hathe washed you from youre sinnes in his bloode, and hathe made you a Queene and a Priest unto god youre Father, for in Christ there is neyther male nor female; first a Queene in this worlde to overcome and conquerr the devill, the worlde and the fleshe, sinne, deathe, hell and damnation, and afterwards a Queene in the worlde to come, to raigne with him in everlastinge glorie, honor, immortalitie, and life. He hath also made you a priest, first to offer vnto God in this worlde the sacrifices

of prayer, and thankes gevinge, of distribution, and doinge good vnto all men, and in the worlde to come to singe vnto him everlastinge prayse, and to crie vnto him for ever, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lorde God almightie, with all the Angells and Sayntes in heaven. O let the excellencie and worthines of the love of Christ swallowe vpp and annihilat all the ingratitude and vnkindness of youre devided and estraunged husbande. For Christ is so vnited vnto you by fayth on youre part, and by his holy spirit on his owne part, that by no meanes you can be separated from him againe, no more than he can be separated from himselfe, for you are a member of his bodie, of his fleshe and of his bones. In the Songe of Solomon called Canticum Canticorum is expressed the vehement and exceedinge love betwene Christ and his churche, and everie faithfull soule, which beinge spirituallie vnderstoode (for the letter is cleane contrarie vnto the meaninge) it will minister great comfort and consolation vnto you, in all youre distresses, and desolations. I wulde wishe you to reade that booke, but because it is harde to be vnderstand, you maye do well to aske the advise of some godly minister, or of some good vnderstandinge Christian, and I doubt not but you shall finde such delectation and contentation in that spirituall and heavenlie allegorie, that you will presently be satisfied, and also desyrous to be coupled vnto Christ, and to esteeme the love of all earthly men to be but vile and vitious in respect to that pure, holy, immaculat and perpetuall love which is in Christ Jesus oure Lorde and Saviour. And so I leave you to be maried vnto him, in mercy and compassion, and in a faythful covenant which never shall be broken, which God graunt for his mercyes sake thorowe Jesus Christ oure Lorde. Amen.

A. S. M.

THE BRASS OF EDITH MATYN, FORMERLY TO BE SEEN IN AMESBURY CHURCH.

In my controversial notes on Amesbury Monastery (vol. iv, p. 12), I conceded a point to Mr. Kite, viz., that, if this brass was originally in the nave, the argument that I had founded on the assumption that it was always in the chancel fell to the ground, but I see that, in his book on the *Brasses of Wiltshire* (p. 33), Mr. Kite says:—"The slab was originally in the pavement of the chancel, but during a recent restoration was buried beneath it"—and he adds in a note,—"Gough describes it as being in the *nave*, which is an error." He also says that Gough had printed the inscription *incorrectly*, so that it would

appear that absolute reliance need not be placed upon Gough's accuracy.

If, therefore, the view that Mr. Kite held in 1860 be correct (and, though he has since changed it, I do not see why it should not be, for it seems an unlikely thing that the brass should have been shifted from the nave to the chancel), my argument was perfectly sound. I said (in my paper read at Amesbury, and printed in the *Wilts Archæological Magazine*) that "we are expected" (by those who contended that the eastern part of Amesbury Church had been the priory church) "to believe that . . . . a small brass, to the memory of Edith Matyn, of date 1470, escaped the spoilers of the sixteenth century, to be removed by Mr. Butterfield and buried, as I have been told, beneath the present floor of the church".

C. H. Talbot.

Queries.

Whittokesmede of Benacre.—In *Early Chancery Proceedings* (58-408) is a suit by William, brother and heir of John ap Harry, to recover from John and Blanche Whittokesmede the deeds of the manor of Preston Wynne, in Herefordshire. Their answer was, "First, the matter contained in the bill is not sufficient in law or conscience to be answered, yet for more playne declaration of truth they affirm that John ap Harry was seised of the manor specified in fee and enfeoffed Richard Delabere, Otys Cornwall, and John Hyggyns, Esqrs., and Hy. Quarrel to the use of the s^{d} John ap Harry and the persons mentioned in his will, by which will he declared that the feofees should make a state of the s^{d} manor with its appurtenances to the s^{d} Blanche, Alice, and Anne, his sisters, and their heirs, and

in default to the right heirs of the s[d] John. Which John died, and the feofees made the estate to Blanche, Alice, and Anne, in virtue whereof John Whittokesmede and Blanche his wife keep the evidences and pray the dismissal of the complaint".

The suit occurred between 1475 and 1485, and by 1500 Preston belonged to the ap Harrys of Poston, the main line of the family to which John ap Harry probably belonged, as his brother and sisters were without issue. Is there an early pedigree of Whittokesmede which would throw any light on this marriage?

J. H. Parry.

[There is no pedigree of this family in the *Wilts Visitations*, nor does the name occur amongst Marshall's list of printed pedigrees.—Ed.]

Mural Painting in Wootton Bassett Church.—Many years ago, in cleaning the south wall of this church, a fresco painting was discovered beneath the whitewash. The subject was, I believe, the murder of St. Thomas á Becket. What became of the original, or has any drawing of it been preserved?

Scriba.

An Early Wilts Settler in New England.—From a deed of 1764, which happens to have come under my notice, it appears that in 1681 John Brothers, of Lavington, in Wiltshire, purchased some 250 acres of land in Pennsylvania, from William Penn. His daughter, Elizabeth, married Ambrose Draper, and their son Ambrose eventually sold the land to William Peters, of Philadelphia. Is anything further known of these parties, or do their names occur among Wilts Quakers? Draper seems to be a local surname in Lavington, or its immediate neighbourhood.

Sage.

Funeral Armour in Wiltshire Churches.—It might be interesting to preserve, in the pages of *Wilts N. & Q.*, some record of the armour, penons, and other funeral atchievements, still remaining, or known to have once existed, in the various Churches throughout the county. The following at once occur to one's mind. Any further information as to date of armour, &c., will be most acceptable.

Salisbury Cathedral.—Captain Symonds, a Royalist officer, who visited the Cathedral in 1644,[1] saw hanging on the south pillar next the altar, the atchievements of Henry, second Earl of Pembroke (1601); and also on the south pillar, next the lower steps of the altar, the sword and golden gauntlets of William, the third Earl, who died 1630.

Bromham Church.—In the Beauchamp Chapel, south of the chancel, some ten or more irons project from the wall, on three of which are helmets, one bearing the crest of Baynton; and remains of gauntlets. Mr. Britton (*Beauties of Wilts*, iii, 231) mentions part of a doublet, and two flags, which also remained in his time.

Stourton Church.—Here was an old helmet, doubtless belonging to one of the Lords Stourton. Perhaps that of Edward Lord Stourton, whose recumbent effigy, with that of his wife Agnes [Fauntelroy], still remains in the Church. Is this helmet yet preserved here?

Longbridge Deverill Church.—On the walls of the mortuary chapel, belonging to the noble family of Thynne, are several pieces of body-armour, said to have been worn

[1] See his Diary in the British Museum, *Harl. MS.*, 939, edited for the Camden Society by the late Mr. C. E. Long.

by Sir John Thynne, the builder of Longleat, when serving under the Protector Duke of Somerset in the Scottish wars. He died 1580.

Mere Church.—In the Chapel south of the chancel, where was a chantry founded towards the close of the fourteenth century, by John Bettesthorne, there remained, as lately as 1851, some funeral armour, including a very fine sword, of early date, traditionally said to have belonged to him. His monumental brass, with effigy in armour, still lies in the floor of the chapel, but the sword is gone! Is anything further known about it?

Bishops Cannings Church.—In the small Chapel attached to the south transept, dedicated to "Our Lady of the Bower", and since the Reformation used as a burial place by Ernele, of Bourton, there was a helmet, with the crest of that family, hanging above one of their monuments [1656-1675] on the east wall.

Lacock Church.—In the south transept were, in 1684, some funeral penons and streamers with the arms of Montagu, of which Dingley has preserved a record in his *History from Marble*, published by the Camden Society. See *Wilts N. & Q.*, iii, 173.

Other examples will no doubt be known to some of our readers.

EDWARD KITE.

Replies.

George Newton (vol. ii, p. 131).—One of this name of London, about 1680, as also William Newton of East Smithfield, 1685, are mentioned in Britten's *Old Clocks and Watches and their makers.* D.

Will of Thomas Jacob of Wootton Bassett [Fines fo. 60], (vol. ii, pp. 234-35, 390).

1644, May 15.—I, Thomas Jacob of Wootton Bassett, in the Countee of Wilts, Gentleman. Church of Wootton Bassett 40 shillings. Poor of same 40*s*. 40 shillings per annum to same for life of son John. Poor of parish of Purton 40*s*., to be paid and distributed by son-in-lawe Nevill Maskelyne, gentleman. Poor of Lea 40*s*. Alice my wife 10 milch cows. To son John, lands at Wootton Bassett, Purton, and Lea, and for want of heirs of his body, to Sibell Maskelyne, and Elizabeth Jane Sibell, eldest dau. to have lands in Lea, with cross-remainders; rem'rs. to eight heirs of testator's brother John Jacob, decd. Daughter Sibell £5. Dau. Sibell's 3 daus. £100. Alice, the eldest, £60. Elizabeth and Ann £20 apiece. Dau. Elizth. James £5, said dau. at present without daus. Brother John's sons, Wm. and Stephen, 10*s*. apiece; Mary, eldest dau., £10. Henry Reeve, my sister's son, 40 shillings. John, son of John Thorne of Woodshaw, 20 shillings. Son John Jacob sole executor. Overseers: Well-beloved friends Wm. Sadler of Elcomb, co. Wilts, gent., Peter Kibblewhite, Meighington [Mannington], Lydiard Tregoz, co. Wilts, gent., and Thomas Webb[1] of Hunte-Mill, Wootton Bassett, Woollen Draper, 20 shillings apiece. Proved March 26, 1646, by son John.

The following is a Jacob pedigree, of the Rocks, near Bath, of Norton near Malmesbury, and (by marriage) of Tockenham, near Wootton Bassett, compiled from Family Papers, Monuments, and Registers, by J. E. Jackson, Leigh Delamere, 1884.

John Jacob of Wootton Bassett, married Sibell, dau. of Thomas Thorne, of Woodshaw, Wootton Bassett. They had issue—1st, Thomas; 2nd, John; 3rd, Elizabeth. Thomas, died in 1646, aged 72. He married Alice, dau. of Thos. Mills, of Rodbourn, co. Wilts, who was buried at Titherton Lucas, 1643. John Jacob (2nd son) of Wootton Bassett, married Ann, dau. of William Brinsden, of Wootton Bassett. Elizabeth (3rd) married Wm. Reeve, of Christian Malford. Thomas (eldest) had issue John (afterwards of Norton) who was married at Cliffe Pypard, 9th April, 1649, to Martha, sole dau. and heir of

[1] The house in which Thomas Webb lived (a thatched one) still exists. The farm house at Woodshaw, also a thatched one with a very long steep roof, still remains. This, with eighty acres of land, was sold by Sir R. J. Buxton with most of the Wilts property in 1858, and has very recently again changed hands.

Roger Calley, of Hillmarton, and Agnes Savage. He was Sheriff of Wilts, 1681; died 16 Nov. 1705; bur. at Hillmarton. She died 2nd April, 1712, æt. 84; buried at Hillmarton. Elizabeth, eldest dau. and second child of Thomas J., married Richard James, of Bradfield, Hullavington, co. Wilts, and secondly, Nov. 23, 1644, *at Vastern*,[1] *Wootton Bassett*, to Edward Stokes, of Titherton Lucas. Sibella, 3rd child and 2nd dau. married (being his second wife) Nevile Maskelyne, of Purton, co. Wilts, Esq. He died 20 Aug. 1723. John Jacob, eldest son of Thomas Jacob, had issue John, of the Rocks, near Bath, who died 15th March 1728, æt. 77 years; buried at Hillmarton. Executor to sister Anne, called of Norton in Royal Licence to Sir R. Buxton. He married 1st (Susannah, dau. and coheir of Henry Lymes, of Hampton Cotterill, co. Gloster. She died 15 May 1707, æt. 62; bur. at Hillmarton. He married, secondly, Mary, dau. of Matthew Smith, Esq., of Tockenham, who died 1762. Will dated 21 Sept. 1731. She married, secondly, George Downer, Esq., of Richmond, of the Household of the Prince of Wales. Thomas Jacob, of Norton, Esq., born 1655; purchased the manor of Hullavington of John Avice, Esq., of Malmesbury, in 1696; buried at Hullavington. Will dated 21 March 1729; proved 27 April 1730. He had a son, John Jacob, Esq., of Roxwell, Gloucester, and Hullavington. Died 2nd and buried 8th Sept. 1743, æt. 47, at Hullavington. Will proved in London by sister Anne, 14 Sept. 1743. He left Hullavington to widow for life, then to John Jacob, of Tockenham, on condition of their taking the name of Jacob.

[1] Either Thomas Jacob, who died in 1646, or his son John, was the "old farmer" whom Aubrey mentions as having lived at Vastern in his time, and who told him that Richard III was born there, which was incorrect. The information as to the marriage at Vastern, in 1644, was derived, not from the Parish Register of Wootton Bassett (in which it does not appear) but from the family Bible of the Stokes of Tytherton Lucas. [Edward Stokes married, 1st, Mary Abjohn, in London, 4th March 1640; she died at Clapham, 10th July 1644, and was buried in the chancel of Streatham Church, *Miscell. Gen. et Her.*, iii, 309 N. S., and 2nd S. ii, 27.—Ed.] In 1643 (the hottest time of the Civil War) there was a marriage at Preshute, described in the Register as "in domo".

He married Anne, dau. of Nathaniel Hopkins, of Eastington, co. Gloucester; bur. at Hullavington, 25 May 1762. Roger Jacob, (3rd son) of Hillmarton, born 1767; bur. there Nov. 25, 1705, æt. 47; married Mary ———, who died at Uley, co. Gloucester, Oct. 1720. George Jacob (4th son), bapt. at Norton, 21 Feb. 1668. William Jacob (5th son), bapt. at Norton, 12 Aug. 1669; bur. there 21 Jan. 1672. Martha (eldest dau.) married (1st) Giles Hungerford, of Witham, Somerset, Esq., who died 1668; (2nd) John Knight of Southmead, eldest son of Sir J. Knight of Bristol (married at 16 years of age to her first husband at Norton) 14 Feb. 1666; again at Norton, 8 Aug. 1681 to J. Knight; died 15 Aug. 1717; buried at Westbury-on-Trym. Executrix of sister Anne (3rd dau.) of Norton, who died 9 Mar. 1709, æt. 48; buried at Hillmarton, . . . unmarried. Will proved in London, May 10, 1710. Elizabeth (4th dau.) bapt. at Norton, 10 Feb. 1762; married at Norton, 18 April 1692 (Easter Tuesday) to Ed. Hill, Esq., of Cam, co. Gloucester. Two other daus., both named Alice, were baptised at Norton in 1646 and 1672, and buried there in 1674. John Jacob, only son of John Jacob, of Tockenham House, baptised at Marshfield, 28 Aug. 1723; sheriff of Wilts, 1756; died Sept. 10, 1776; buried at Hillmarton. Devised his property by Will to sisters Mary, Anne and Elizabeth Jacob. Anne sole executrix. Will proved, Prerogative Court, Canterbury, 14 Oct. 1776; succeeded to Norton on death of Ann Stephens, widow of John Jacob, his niece, and married Elizabeth, dau. and sole heir of John Bushell, Rector of Draycot. She re-married John Gaisford, Esq., of Iford. Anne Jacob (eldest dau.) baptised at Marshfield, 10 Aug. 1714, left charities to Hillmarton and Tockenham. Died unmarried; buried at Tockenham, 3 Dec. 1781. Mary Jacob (2nd dau.), baptised Nov. 26, 1713; buried at Claverton, Oct. 2, 1790, æt. 78. Martha Jacob (3rd dau.), bapt. at Marshfield, 6 Feb. 1719; bur. 2nd Oct. 1724, at Marshfield. Elizabeth (4th dau.) eventually sole heir to brother John; baptised 25 Jan. 1720; married at Winterbourn to John Buxton, Esq.; buried at Titenham, Norfolk, 13th May 1765;

had issue Sir Robert John Buxton, of Shadwell, co. Norfolk, born, 1753; died, 1839. Succeeded to Hullavington on death of Mrs. Mary Clutterbuck, of Claverton.

W. P.

Trenchard (vol. iv, pp. 177, 283, 325).—I venture to propose the annexed pedigree as a solution to "Sage's" enquiry as to the position of the Normanton branch in the Trenchard Pedigree.

The portion in Roman lettering is taken from Hutchin's *History of Dorset*, vol. iii, p. 326, whilst the portion in italics is taken from the information supplied on pages 177, 283 and 325 of *Wiltshire Notes & Queries*, vol. iv. It is somewhat surprising that there are no Trenchard Wills in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury between the years 1558 and 1583, just the very period that includes Richard of Normanton and his son, whose Christian name is not given by Hutchins. There may, however, be wills in the Consistory or Archdeacon's Courts of Sarum, or in the many Wiltshire Peculiar Courts now preserved at Somerset House. Possibly the Will of Sir Thomas Trenchard, P.C.C. 20 Coode, 1550, might give some information. Failing these sources of knowledge, Inquisitions Post Mortem, Feet of Fines, Recoveries, Lay Subsidies for the period, and other similar classes of Records, would be sure to throw light on the matter.

Judging from the dates, were it not for Hutchins giving an intermediate Trenchard (no Christian name), I should be inclined to think that William Trenchard who married Joan Rodney was the son (not grandson) of Richard Trenchard, of Normanton, as there are but 40 years' difference in time between the deaths of Sir Thomas and that of his great grandson (? grandson) William. Hutchins may be wrong.

If "Sage" cares to go to a little expense for a search for Richard Trenchard's Will, and that of his son, perhaps he would communicate with me.

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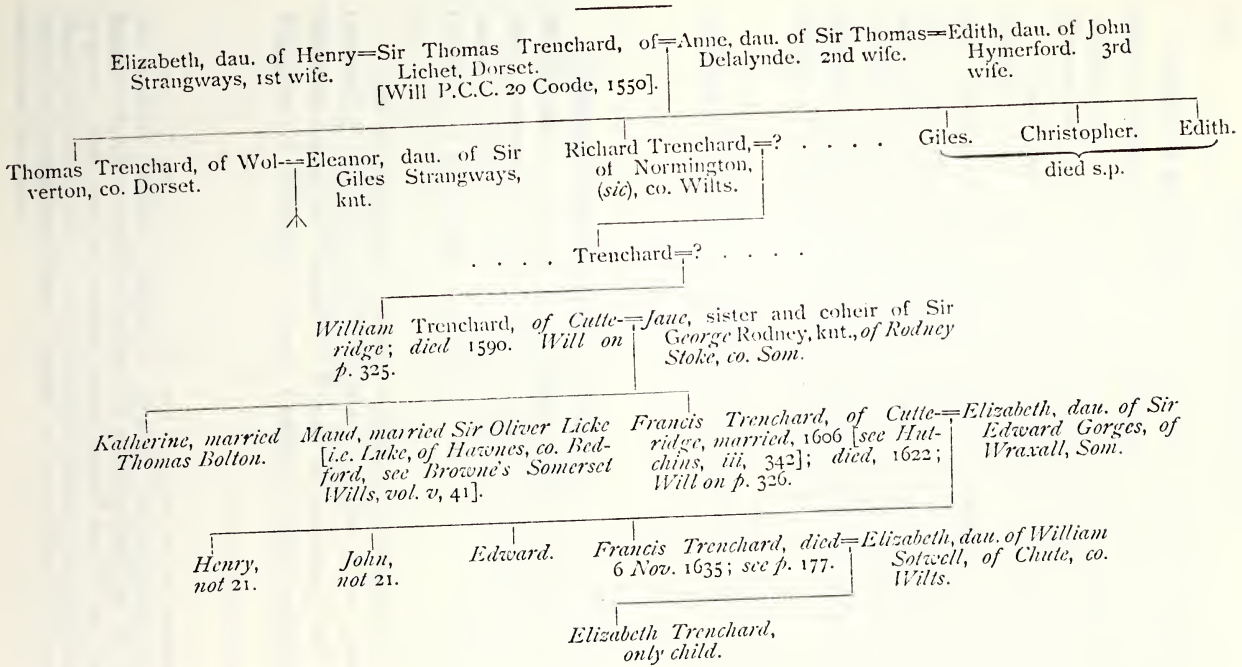
PEDIGREE OF TRENCHARD.



Vicar of Wakefield (vol. iv, p. 425).—The first edition of Oliver Goldsmith's *Vicar of Wakefield*—in two small octavo volumes—was printed, in 1766, for Francis Newbery, in Paternoster Row, London, by Benjamin Collins, at Salisbury.

Books appear to have been printed here as early, at least, as 1685, but it was in the hands of Benjamin Collins, about 1740, that the Salisbury press became conspicuous both for its books and weekly newspaper.[1] Some account of him and his connexion with the publishing house of the Newbery's, in London, will be found in an octavo volume, issued in 1885, entitled *A Bookseller of the Last Century, being some account of the Life of John Newbery*, by Charles Welch.

E. K.

[Can any of our readers supply notes of early printed books which issued from the Salisbury press ?—Ed.]

Dickens' Topography, &c. (vol. iv, pp. 321, 377, 427-28).—Mr. Marsh, in his recent admirable *History of Calne*, p. 288, states, without giving his authority, that Beckhampton was the hamlet in which—at the "Waggon and Horses"—Dickens laid the scene of "The Bagman's Story." A. S.

After consulting the Ordnance Map of the district, and by interesting a Bristol and Wiltshire journalist in the matter, there seems to be evidence in favour of supposing that the Marquess of Ailesbury's Arms, Clatford, might possibly be

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[1] In the Caxton Exhibition of 1877 was a copy of the first number of *The Salisbury Postman*, published on Saturday, 27th September 1715, by Samuel Farley, at his office, adjoining to Mr. Robert Silcocks, on the Ditch in Sarum. Next came *The Salisbury Journal*, printed in 1730 for Charles Hooton, in Milford Street. In 1751 Benjamin Collins, its then Editor, had removed his earlier printing office, opposite the Poultry Cross, to its present site on the New Canal.

Tom Smart's Inn, which underwent extensive structural alterations about twenty years ago; I give this for what it is worth.

With regard to the identification of the "little Wiltshire village" in *Chuzzlewit*, I am decidedly in favour of Alderbury, although its distance from Salisbury does not tally with that mentioned in the story. A friend of mine, a native of the locality, has for months past made diligent enquiries among those still living in the neighbourhood, especially such as are old enough to remember Dickens' visit in 1843 or thereabouts, and all the evidence worthy of consideration is in favour of Alderbury—not Amesbury—while local tradition in the former place supports the contention.

F. G. Kitton.

Dickens' Topography (vol. iv, p. 321).—An old Inn which formerly existed at Shepherd's Shore, near the point where the Wansdyke crosses the road from Marlborough to Devizes, has been generally claimed as the "strange old place" referred to by Dickens, in "The Bagman's Story," in *Pickwick*, where Tom Smart met with his surprising adventure. It is so identified by the Rev. A. C. Smith in his *British and Roman Antiquities* (1885). The old Inns at Beckhampton and Kennett have also been suggested. But neither of these, if corresponding in other ways, can well be described in the words of Dickens, as "half-a-quarter of a mile *from the end* of the Downs".

At the time when the event is supposed to have taken place, about 1756, it must be remembered that the old road from London to Bristol passed over Roundway, descending from the Downs towards Sandy Lane, where the coaches halted. At this point, literally at "*the end* of the Downs," by the roadside, and not a great distance from each other, were two old Inns—the *Bear* (now known as Bear Farm), and the *White Hart*. The latter I am inclined to identify as the hostelry referred to by Dickens, in preference to either Shep-

herd's Shore, Beckhampton, or Kennett—neither of which can strictly be described as being *off* the Downs.

The *White Hart* at Sandy Lane (an inn sign which, by the bye, may point to any date from the days of Richard II, whose badge it was) is mentioned by Dingley, who visited it in 1684, and saw, in the best room, two escutcheons with the arms of the Hungerfords of Farley Castle, and Cadenham House, in Bremhill; of which he has given sketches in his *History from Marble*, vol. i, p. xxxviii.

This old Inn, whose existence came naturally to an end with the disuse of the old Bath Road over the Downs, has long been pulled down. It was probably known to Dickens, who was familiar with this part of the country, and I venture to suggest it as a spot best suited to his description, and most likely to have been in his mind when writing "The Bagman's Story."

EDWARD KITE.

Brass at Burghill, near Hereford.—In the Church here, affixed to the east wall of the Chancel, is a brass to John Aubrey, grandfather of the Wiltshire antiquary. The deceased and his wife are represented kneeling at a prie-dieu, with their two children, a son, Richard, and a daughter; the former about thirteen years old at the time of his father's death.[1]

Beneath is an inscription as follows:—

"Here lyeth buryed the Body of John Awbrey, Esq: yongest son'e of William Awbrey, Doct: of law, and one of the Masters of Request in ordinary to Queene Elyzabeth, who dyed ye xj^th^ of June, 1616, being about ye age of 38 yeres. He maried Rachell, the daughter of Richard Danvers, of Totnu' [Tockenham][2] in Wilt-

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[1] He afterwards married Deborah, daughter and heiress of Isaac Lyte, of Easton Piers, in the parish of Kington St. Michael, where he was buried 26 Oct. 1652. Here his eldest son, the antiquary, was born 12 Mar. 1626.

[2] Aubrey, in the Preface to his "Wilts Collections" (1670), mentions that his ancestors, the Danvers, held West Tockenham (in Lyncham) for many generations, of the Abbey of Bradenstoke.

shire Esq : by whome he had issue one sonne and one daughter. God send him a ioyfull Resurrection."

ARMS. - *A chevron between 3 eagle's heads erased, with a mullet for difference.*—AUBREY.

Notes on Books.

A LIST OF MONUMENTAL BRASSES REMAINING IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, MDCCCCIII, by REV. EDMUND FARRER. Norwich: Agas H. Goose, Rampant Horse Street, 1903.

Mr. Farrer supplemented his valuable volumes of *Norfolk Church Heraldry*, by a List of the Brasses of that County, now he has anticipated his *Suffolk Church Heraldry*, which is still in manuscript, by issuing the above work. This list is handsomely illustrated, and has a learned introduction with woodcuts, in which the author has been helped, as in other parts of his work, by Mr. Mill Stephenson, which is truly, as the compiler writes, "a valuable help to those interested in the study of armour and costume."

We notice that there is in Hadleigh Church a brass to Anne Still[1] ("an effigy of lady in hat"). The inscription, in black letter, beneath the effigy, is as follows :—

[1] She died in 1593. She was an Alabaster, and in the same church is a brass to John Alabaster, a clothier, who died in 1637, æt. 76, twice Mayor; and another, now lost, to Thomas Alabaster, a clothier, who died in 1592, æt. 70. She had a nephew, William Alabaster, born at Hadleigh, in 1567, a Latin poet and divine ; his famous Latin tragedy, *Roxana*, has been more than once acted, but modern research has shown that much of it was not original ; he has been extravagantly praised by Wood, Fuller and Johnson. He became a Roman Catholic in Spain, afterwards wrote some mystic works, which were placed on the *Index ;* asserted that whilst in Rome he was imprisoned by the Inquisition ; escaping to England, he conformed to his former religion.

Hic matrum Matrona iacet pietatis Imago
Exemplum vita speculum virtutis Honesti
Verus Alabaster meritis quæ viuit in æuum
Et quam certa fides cælo super astra locauit.

Round the effigy:—*In obitum Annæ Still Vxoris Johan Epi Bathon et We . . . . . ris quæ obijt Apr.* 15°, *A°* 1593.

The Rev. R. Milburn Blakiston, Rector of Hadleigh, writes: "It has been cruelly treated, one portion of the inscription is missing, and the remainder has been very roughly nailed to the wall of the north aisle. The figure has been delicately drawn, and shows well the folds of the quaint dress of a lady at the close of the sixteenth century."

Anne was the first wife of John Still, formerly Rector and benefactor of this place, where probably he made the acquaintance of his future wife, and afterwards Bishop of Bath and Wells. His family was originally of Grantham, co. Lincoln, and some settled afterwards at Shaftesbury, and then at Mere, where they had a burial vault; and one of his nephews was Rector of Christian Malford, a great grandson, Nathaniel, settled at East Knoyle, and a long pedigree appears in Hoare's *Modern Wilts*, and a short one in *Vis. Wilts*, 1623.

Ann was ancestress of many Wiltshiremen, three of her daughters marrying respectively *Robert Eyre*, of Sarum, *William Morgan*, of Warminster, and *Sefton Jones*, of Keevil, her son John marrying a daughter of *Thomas Baynard*, of the Lackham family.

In Hoare's *Modern Wilts* is a portrait of the Bishop, and an engraving of his handsome alabaster monument, where he lies in effigy, erected in Wells Cathedral by his eldest son Nathaniel; from this son descended the well-known Garter King of Arms, Sir Isaac Heard, who died in 1822. In Hoare's pedigree Nathaniel is made the son of the Bishop's second wife, but in a note below, taken from an account of his father's funeral in the British Museum, he finds his proper place, and amongst

the Bishop's chief mourners were his three Wiltshire sons-in-law. The Bishop was a benefactor to Wells Cathedral, and to his old college, Trinity, Cambridge.

COMPLETE PEERAGE OF ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, IRELAND, GREAT BRITAIN, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM, EXTANT, EXTINCT, OR DORMANT; alphabetically arranged, and edited by G. E. C. Eight volumes. London: George Bell & Sons, York Street, Covent Garden; William Pollard & Co., North Street, Exeter, 1887-1898.

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STAFFORD DE SOUTHWYKE.—Sir Humphrey Stafford of Southwick, son of William Stafford of Southwick (killed in his encounter with Jack Cade); Baron by writ, 1461, and cr. by patent, 1464; Earl of Devon, 1469, beheaded three months after at Bridgwater, when all his honours became extinct; bur. at Glastonbury. *Wilts N. & Q.*, ii, p. 257, *ped.*

STOURTON.—Sir John Stourton,[1] son and heir of William Stourton, of Stourton, by Elizabeth, dau. and co-h. of Sir John Moyne[2]

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[1] Though this ancient family undoubtedly resided in very early times at Stourton (where are the six springs which are represented in their coat-of-arms), there are no records to show that they were landowners till the reign of Edw. I, when Nicholas Stourton held one knight's fee under the Lovells of Castle Cary. The manor of Stourton, which in the fourteenth century was held by the family of Fitzpayne, was acquired before 1427 by that of Stourton, and held by them until sold by the 13th Baron about 1720. The fine old baronial mansion was then pulled down, and the present house, called Stourhead, built by Henry Hoare, whose grandson, Richard, was cr. a Baronet in 1786.

[2] *See* some articles in the *Genealogical Magazine* on the curious crest, borne now by the Stourtons.

of Estaines-ad-Montem, co. Essex; served in the wars of France and Normandy; High Sheriff of Wilts 1433 and 1437, as also of Gloucester 1439; received a grant of the old castle of Sarum, 1446; Baron, 1448; mar. Margaret, dau. of Sir John Wadham, of Merrifield, co. Somerset, ob. 1462. I.P.M., 2 Edw. IV. From him has descended a long line of Barons, now represented by Charles Botolph Joseph, who holds also the baronies of Mowbray[1] and Segrave.[1]

Residence, Allerton Park (Stourton Towers), co. York.

SUDELEY.—*See* SEYMOUR.

SUFFOLK.—Thomas Howard, 2nd son of Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, by his second wife Margaret, dau. and heir of Thomas, Baron Audley of Walden; knighted for his services against the Spanish Armada; K.G., and cr. Lord Howard de Walden, 1597; Earl of Suffolk, 1603; joint Earl Marshal, 1604; the Charlton property was brought into the family by his second wife Catherine, dau. and co-h. of Sir Henry Knyvett, of Charlton, by Elizabeth, dau. and h. of Sir James Stumpe, of Bromham, devolving on the second son, 1st Earl of Berkshire; ob. 1626, and bur. at Walden. His great grandson, Baron of Chesterford and Earl of Bindon, 1706.[2] In 1745 Henry Howard, Earl of Berkshire[3] (1625), Viscount Andover (1625), and Baron Charlton (1621) succeeded his cousin as Earl of Suffolk; Deputy Earl Marshal 1725; his descendant the late Earl, M.P. for Malmesbury 1859-68, succeeded in 1876; mar. Mary Eleanor Lauderdale, grand-dau. of the 8th Earl of Coventry; ob. 1898, and bur. at Charlton, and was succeeded by Henry Molyneux, the present Earl.

Residence, Charlton Park, Wilts.

THYNNE of Warminster.—*See* WEYMOUTH.

TOTTENHAM.—*See* AILESBURY.

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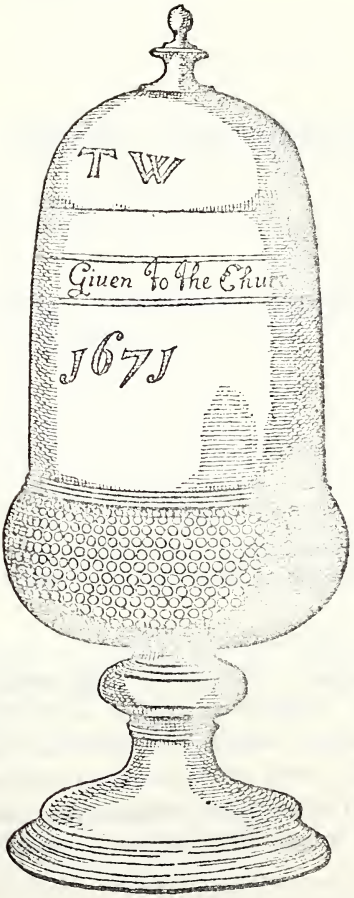
[1] These two Baronies were terminated in favour of Alfred Joseph, the 20th Lord Stourton, in 1878. *See* an amusing account of so many ancient Baronies being called out of abeyance in the early Victorian age by Beaconsfield, in his novel *Sybil*.

[2] These two last dignities became extinct in 1721.

[3] All these titles were conferred in his father's lifetime.

(*To be continued.*)



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SOME NOTES ON THE MONTACUTES, EARLS OF SALISBURY.

THE title of Earl of Salisbury was first bestowed, by the Empress Maud, on Patrick, son of Walter,[1] and grandson of Edward "of Salisbury",[2] the "Vicecomes", or Sheriff, and one of the principal landholders in Wiltshire at the time of the Domesday survey.

Patrick, the *first* Earl, so styled in the *Liber Niger* of 1165, was two years afterwards slain by Guy de Lusignan, and buried in the Church of St. Hilary, in Poictou. His son William, who succeeded as *second* Earl, died in 1196, and, with his wife, found a grave near the porch of the Priory Church at Bradenstoke. Ela, their only daughter (afterwards Foundress of Lacock) married William Longespée (the son of Henry II

[1] Founder of Bradenstoke Priory, where both he and his wife, Sybil [Chaworth], were buried "in the same grave near the vestry". See *Book of Lacock*, quoted in Dugdale's *Monasticon*.

[2] Younger son of Walter, Earl of Rosmar, a Norman warrior, surnamed "le Heureux", or "the Fortunate", from the liberal grants of Wiltshire property, including the Castle of Old Sarum, bestowed upon him by the Conqueror.

and "Fair Rosamond"?), who, in her right, became *third* Earl. Dying in his Castle of Old Sarum in 1226, his remains were the first to find a resting-place in the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral of the new city, where his tomb and recumbent effigy—once a richly decorated example of early thirteenth century art—is well known.[1]

Ela, his widow, died in 1261, having survived both her son and grandson—the former of whom appears to have made an unsuccessful claim to the Earldom. Margaret, coheiress of the latter,[2] married Henry de Lacy, Earl of Lincoln, and is sometimes styled Countess of Lincoln and Salisbury, as is also her daughter and heiress, Alice, who married, as a first husband, Thomas Plantagenet, Earl of Lancaster, and died without issue in 1348.

Her title could not, however, have been recognised by the Crown, for before this date a new creation of the dignity had been made by Edward III in favour of

[1st Earl] William de Montacute (1337-1344).

His family had, from early times, ranked as territorial barons, their principal seat being Montacute, in co. Somerset. Himself one of the most distinguished companions in arms of Edward III, we find him successively Custos of the Tower of London, and Marshal of England. The King, "having regard to his staunch integrity", with much form granted him the Royal crest of *an eagle*;[3] which crest Montacute afterwards

[1] It was removed from its original position in the Lady Chapel during Wyatt's destructive alterations in 1790, and placed on the stone bench beneath one of the arches of the nave arcade.

[2] She was seised, with her husband, the Earl of Lincoln, of the manors of Aldbourne, Amesbury Earls, Trowbridge, and Winterbourn [Earls ?], with fourscore acres of meadow, &c., in Wanborough. *Inq. post mortem*, 4 Edw. II [1310].

[3] "The King to all to whom &c., greeting. Know that whereas, having regard to the staunch integrity of our beloved and faithful William de Montacute, Earl of Salisbury, and Marshal of England, we lately gave him the crest of an eagle, which we ourselves bore as our own; and, in order that he might the more suitably maintain his dignity, we granted him, for

conferred, with equal ceremony, on his godson, Edward's second son Lionel, Duke of Clarence. In 1332-3 the King released to him the whole of his right in the Isle of Man, &c.

He was advanced to the Earldom of Salisbury in full Parliament, held in London, 16 March 1337,[1] with a grant of a yearly rent of £20 out of the profits of the county; and in order that he might the more suitably maintain his dignity he had also various grants from the Crown of property which had been forfeited by attainder or otherwise—among others the castle, honour, and manor of Denbigh, in North Wales, formerly held by Thomas, Earl of Lancaster, slain in rebellion at Boroughbridge in 1322. From the same source he also became possessed of the Wiltshire manors of Amesbury Earls, Trowbridge, and Winterbourne [Earls?], formerly parcel of the Earldom of Salisbury, which had passed by marriage of the coheiress of Lacy, and afterwards became merged in the Duchy of Lancaster.[2] The manor of Poole, in Malmesbury Hundred,

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ourselves and our heirs, the manors of Wodeton, Frome, Whitfeld, Mershewode, Worth and Pole (Poole, co. Wilts), with their appurtenances, which fell into our hands by the forfeiture of John Mautravers, and which Robert fitz Payn holds . . . . and which after the death of the said Robert will revert and remain to us and our heirs, to the said Earl and his heirs for ever, as in our letters patent thereon made more fully appears. And whereas the said Earl . . . . has out of his affection granted the said crest to . . . . our very dear son, whom he carried to the sacred font . . . . We, having regard to the good will of the said Earl . . . . have granted him [the remainder of the said manors] . . . . [although] he has surrendered the said crest to our said son. In witness whereof, &c. Witness the King at Quiévrain, 6 September [1339]. *Patent Roll*, 13 Edw. III.

[1] Soon afterwards, in 12 Edw. III [1337-8] he had a grant of £1,000 towards the despatch of a certain secret business of the King in parts beyond sea.

[2] Exemplification of the Charter of Alice who was wife of Thomas, late Earl of Lancaster, and daughter and heir of Henry de Lacy, late Earl of Lincoln, made to Edward II in fee, of the manors of Amesbury, Winterbourne, and Trowbridge, in Wilts [and others in Dorset and Somerset], at the request of William de Montacute, Earl of Salisbury, to whom the King gave the premises in special tale, viz., to his heirs male. *Patent Roll*, 11 Edw. III.

another Wiltshire property, came into his hands by the forfeiture of John Maltravers. In 1337 he had also a grant of the Castle of Sherborne, co. Dorset, in return for service rendered in the overthrow of Mortimer, the favourite of Queen Isabella; but this property, being part of the possessions of the See of Salisbury, seized by King Stephen, afterwards became matter of litigation between himself and the Bishop.

In 11 Edward III [1336-7] he obtained the Royal licence to found and endow[1] a Priory at Bisham (or Bustlesham Montacute), co. Berks, of which manor he had a previous grant from the Crown. It is described by Bishop Tanner as a Priory for canons regular of the Order of St. Augustine, and dedicated to the honour of Christ Jesus and the Blessed Virgin Mary, its gross yearly revenue at the surrender, according to Speed, amounting to £327 4s. 6d. The Priory Church became a family burial-place, and contained the tombs of several of its members. According to Timbs' *Bisham Abbey* these splendid monuments were all destroyed after the dissolution, without regard to the rank, or famed exploits, of the deceased—not even excepting that of Salisbury, "the mirror of all martial men". We read also in the same work, that before Montacute, Earl of Salisbury, started for the Crusades, he came, with all his train, for last prayers at the Abbey he had founded; and his daughter, then at the Convent at Marlow, came hither, with all her nuns, to meet him. A squire, who had been in love with her, seized the opportunity for elopement, and they escaped in a boat, but were taken at Marlow. She was sent back to her Convent, and he was shut up in the tower, whence he tried to escape by means of a rope, which he made from his clothes torn into shreds. The rope broke and he was dreadfully injured, and was taken into the Abbey, where he afterwards became a monk.

In his foundation charter of Bisham, and also on his seal and counter-seal, engraved in the Salisbury volume of the

[1] To the amount of £300 per annum.

Archæological Institute (1851), p. 231, he is styled "Earl of Salisbury, Lord of Man and Denbigh".[1]

After surviving many campaigns, both in Scotland and various parts of Europe, he died of injuries received in the mimic warfare of the Court, 30 January 1343-4.[2] In the previous year he had presented to the Church of Market Lavington, then in his patronage.

His widow, Catherine, daughter of William, first Lord Grandison, by Sibilla, daughter of Sir John Tregoz, was (1346-7) in receipt of the yearly rent of £20 out of the issues of the county, appertaining to the Earldom; and in the latter year she presented to the Church of Market Lavington.

According to Cokayne's *Complete Peerage*, the first Earl was buried in London, in the Church of the White Friars, but the will of the second Earl contains a bequest for a tomb to be erected at Bisham for his father and mother, and it is probable that his remains may have been afterwards removed into the Priory Church of which he had been the founder.

[2ND EARL] WILLIAM DE MONTACUTE (1344-1397).

Son and heir; was fifteen years of age at the time of his father's death. He appears to have entered into a contract of marriage with the Lady Joan Plantagenet, daughter of Edmund of Woodstock, known as "the fair maid of Kent", but Sir Thomas Holand petitioned Pope Clement IV, alleging a pre-contract, but that he being abroad, the Earl of Salisbury unjustly kept her from him; and the latter was required by his Holiness to restore her. He afterwards married Elizabeth,

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[1] The arms borne on his seal are the *three fusils* of MONTACUTE, without *bordure*: crest, *A demi griffin out of a coronet*.

[2] Before the Earl's death, a claim was apparently made to the Castle of Old Sarum, for in 1340-41 we find in the Patent Rolls a writ of enquiry whether the Earls of Salisbury were seised in their lordship, as of fee, of the Castle and vill of Old Sarum, and of the office of Sheriff of Wilts, and how the same were lost.

daughter of John de Mohun, of Dunster, and on succeeding to the Sovereign Lordship of the Isle of Man, both were formally crowned, as King and Queen, in the Cathedral of St. Germains, in Peel Castle. In 1352-3 he did homage to the King, in the presence of the magnates, for his barony of Denbigh.

On the institution of the Garter, in 1349, the Earl was selected to become one of its first Founders, of whom he lived to be the sole survivor.

In 1354-5 the King confirmed a grant made to the Earl by the Bishop of Salisbury, of 200 marks yearly, issuing out of the manor of Potterne, part of the possessions of his See. Bishop Wyvil had brought a writ of right against the Earl, for the recovery of Sherborne Castle, of which his father had, a few years previously, obtained a grant from the Crown. The matter was referred to a trial by battle, and on the appointed day the champion of each party entered the lists, ready to engage, when, by the King's intercession, a compromise was made, and the Earl surrendered the Castle to the Bishop and his See for 2,500 marks,[1] payment of which was apparently made by yearly instalments of 200 marks, out of Potterne manor.

The Earl fought with the King and Black Prince at Cressy in 1346, and again, with the latter, at Poictiers,[2] in 1356; in 1375-6 he was Admiral of the King's Fleet,[3] and later, in 1393, sold the Sovereign Lordship of the Isle of Man to

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[1] For a full account see *Wilts Brasses*, pp. 14-19.

[2] One of the finest illuminated MSS. now to be found in England is *La Bible Historiaux*, a volume taken by the Earl at Poictiers. It was written before 1350, and is now in the British Museum.—*King's MSS.*, 19, D. 2.

[3] July 16, 1376. As Lord High Admiral he commanded from the mouth of the Thames westward, in which the south coast is comprehended, whilst William, Earl of Suffolk, commanded from the month of the Thames northward. They were both out of office by Nov. 24, 1377. The Lord High Admiral is the ninth great officer of state, and is an office of great trust and honour, and was formerly so great that this office was usually given to one of the King's younger sons, near kinsmen, etc.—Schomberg's *Naval Chronology*, v 187.

Sir William Scrope, afterwards created Earl of Wiltshire. His only son and heir, Sir William, is said to have been accidentally slain by the Earl, his father, in a tilting match at Windsor in 1382.

His will is dated at Christ Church, Twynham, 20 April 1397 [20 Richard II].

My body to be buried in the Conventual Church of Bustlesham Montacute, founded by my Lord and father. I will that on every day until my corpse be brought there xxvs. be distributed to 300 poor men; likewise that 24 poor people shall bear torches on my burial day, that each torch shall weigh eight pounds, and that each of the said men wear a gown of black cloth with a red hood; also I will that there be nine wax lights and three morters of wax about my corpse, and upon every pillar in the Church a banner of my arms; I desire that xxxl. be given to sing trentals and prayers for my soul. To the finishing the building at Bustlesham, and to make a tomb there for my father and mother, and another for myself and my son D marks. Elizabeth my wife; John Denken, steward of my lands; William Drew.

He died on the 3 June following, aged 69,[1] his Wiltshire property including Amesbury Earls manor and hundred, Alwardbury hundred, Winterbourne manor and advowson, and £20 rent of the issues of the county, together with knights' fees and advowsons of churches in some seventy or more other parishes. *Inq. post mortem*, 20 Rich. II. His widow long survived him, her will being dated at Dowgate, on the Eve of St. Catherine (24 November) 1414. She died on 14 January following.

My body to be buried in the Conventual Church of Bustlesham Montacute. And I desire that on the day of my death dirige may be sung at vespers, and mass of requiem on the morrow, at the same place, and that every priest performing receive xii pence. Also I will that at every place where my body may rest in its carriage to Bustlesham my exequies be performed with dirige in the evening, and on the morrow, before its removal, with mass of requiem; and that in the journey to Bustlesham the sum of xxl. or thereabouts, be expended in alms, masses, or other charges; and when my corpse arrives there, I will that xxiv poor men, clothed in gowns and hoods of russet, shall carry each of them

[1] His seal, engraved in the Salisbury volume of the Archæological Institute, p. 232, bears the shield of MONTACUTE, singly, without *bordure*.

a torch of wax at the dirige and mass of requiem at my burial, and receive xx*d.* in money, I will that my hearse be covered with black cloth, and that five great tapers of wax be placed on it, each weighing 20 pounds. On the day of my burial I desire that xxv marks be distributed amongst one thousand poor people, viz., to each of them iv pence; and xii pounds x shillings to sing three thousand masses with all speed after my death, for the health of my soul, and all Christian souls. To two honest priests, to sing masses, and to say a trental of Gregory for one whole year, for my soul, and all Christian souls xij*l.*; to fourscore poor men and women bedridden xxvj*l.* xiij*s.* iv*d.*, viz., to each of them vj*s.* viij*d.* To the Prior and Convent of Bustlesham, to maintain one Canon Priest, and one Secular Priest, perpetually at my altar and tomb, to be made on the south side of the Quire of that Church, opposite to the tomb of my lord and husband, to pray for my soul, and for the souls of such others as were named upon agreement made betwixt them cccc marks; to make and furnish an altar and new tomb for myself and my son, in the south side of the Quire at Bustlesham, opposite to that of my husband, c marks.

[3rd Earl] John de Montacute (1397-1400).

On the death of the second Earl, without surviving male issue, the dignity devolved on his nephew, Sir John—son of a younger brother of that name, whose royal descent will be presently noticed. He was then aged 47, and was at once elected to fill his uncle's stall as K.G. Being the intimate friend and attendant of Richard II he shared in the King's misfortunes. He was sent to command the army raised in Wales to oppose the invasion of Henry, Duke of Lancaster, but was unable to keep it under control, owing to the non-arrival of the King from Ireland.

At the close of the first Parliament of Henry IV he conspired to seize the King at Windsor, but failing in the attempt, fled with the Earl of Kent, when they were seized and beheaded at Cirencester 7 January 1399-1400. In the Parliament of the following year he was declared a traitor and attainted.

His wife Maud was the daughter of Sir Adam Francis, knight, Lord Mayor and Sheriff of London, and widow of Sir Alan Boxhull, by whom, as appears by her will, she had a son Alan. She married secondly John Aubrey, and lastly the Earl

of Salisbury, after whose death she eventually obtained leave from Henry V to remove his bones from Cirencester Abbey to the Priory Church at Bisham. Her will is dated at Schenle [Shenley ?] 22 June 1423.

My body to be buried in the Priory of Bustlesham Montacute, co. Berks; my son Alan Boxhull; Anne my daughter, my executrix.

[4TH EARL] THOMAS DE MONTACUTE (1400-1428).

Son and heir, aged 12, notwithstanding his father's attainder, was in 1421 restored to his dignities, as Earl of Salisbury, Count of Perch, in Normandy, and Lord Monthermer —the latter in right of his grandmother. In an inquisition taken 1408, apparently on his coming of age, the manors of Erlestoke, Amesbury Earls, and Winterbourne, with fees and parts of fees in nearly fifty parishes, represent the Wiltshire property. He was K.G.[1] and became a distinguished Commander in the French wars, under Henry V, being killed at the siege of Orleans, 3 November 1428.

> In thirteen battles Salisbury overcame,
> Henry the Fifth he first trained to the wars.
> Whilst any trump did sound, or drum strike up,
> His sword did ne'er leave striking in the field.
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> *First part*, Hen. VI, Act I, Sc. IV.

His will is without date.

Thomas Montacute, Earl of Salisbury, Perch, and Lord Monthermer. I will that in whatever part of the world I may chance to die that my body be buried at Bustlesham, in England, and that neither my wife, nor my executors make any great entertainment, or have a solemn hearse for me at my funeral, or that any large or sumptuous lights for worldly pomp be then provided; but when my body is carried through any city or town in my native country, I desire that four torches only be lighted at its entrance therein and borne therewith. Also I will that upon the day of my trental 24 torches be provided, and 4 other lights to be about

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[1] His stall-plate bears the quartered shield of MONTACUTE and MONTHERMER.

my corpse at the solemnizing the exequies and masses there to be celebrated for my soul, and to be borne by 24 poor men all clothed alike. To every poor person coming to my trental iiij pence for the health of my soul, 50 poor people being first chosen out of the whole number there present, to each of whom I desire my most beloved wife to give xx*d.* with her own hand; to the Monastery at Bustlesham c*l.* sterling out of my moveable goods, that the Prior and whole Convent there shall specially ordain one mass to be celebrated every day for my soul, in a particular place appointed for that purpose, with this collect, *Deus cui proprium*, &c.; and I desire that two Canons of that house, immediately after the mass of the Blessed Virgin be ended before my tomb, shall for ever say the psalm of *De Profundis*, with the Lord's Prayer, the Angelical Salutation, and this prayer, "*Deus cui proprium est misereri semper et parcere, propitia animæ famuli tui Thomæ, et omnia ejus peccata dimittat, ut, mortis vinculis absolutus transire mereatur ad vitam.*" With these prayers also, "*Inclina*," and "*Fidelium Deus. pro animabus parentum et progenitorum nostrorum inibi sepultorum*," &c. Also I will that my most beloved wife, as soon as possible after my death, cause one thousand masses to be specially celebrated for my soul, and the souls of all the faithful deceased; and I charge her and my executors that they cause three masses to be daily celebrated for my soul during the term of her life in such places as they may think fit within the realm of England, and if possible in her presence; likewise I desire that three poor people be every day brought, by the care of my executors, to my wife, that is to say, severally, if they can be found, to the end that she may serve each of them with one mess of meat, one loaf, and one quart of drink, and that she and my executors, within one year after my decease, cause M marks to be distributed amongst poor people, partly in money, and partly in raiment, both linen and woollen; also I will that my said wife and my executors shall, with all good speed, cause 3000 masses to be celebrated for the souls of all the Companions of the Order of St. George of the Garter, in recompense of those masses which have been by me forgotten; to my uncle Sir Richard de Montacute, Knight, c*l.* sterling; to John, my bastard son, *fifty* marks.

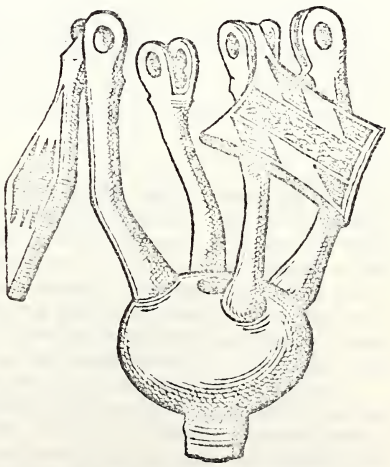
In a Codicil.—I desire that D marks be raised out of my lands to erect a chantry to the honour of the Blessed Virgin, above the high altar in the east part of the Conventual Church in Bustlesham, 40 feet in length, 20 feet in breadth, and the height of the walls 20 feet; and also that a tomb 4 feet in height be raised in the midst thereof, containing three distinct places, the middlemost higher than the other two by half a foot, in which I will that my own body be laid; and the body of the Lady Alianore, sometime my wife, on the one side, with the body of the Lady Alice, my present wife, now living, on the other side, if she will, which tomb I desire to be made of marble, with portraitures of each in brass, and epitaphs; as also a chapel of timber surrounding it, with an altar for masses to be daily celebrated thereat, for the health of my soul.

By his first wife Eleanor, sister and co-heir of Edmund

Holand, Earl of Kent, he left an only daughter, Alice,[1] aged about 22, and married to Richard Nevil, who, first apparently in her right, and afterwards by creation or confirmation, bore the title of Earl of Salisbury. Their son Richard, by marriage with the heiress of Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, obtained also that dignity, and became the famous Earl of Warwick and Salisbury who gained the sobriquet of "the King-maker."

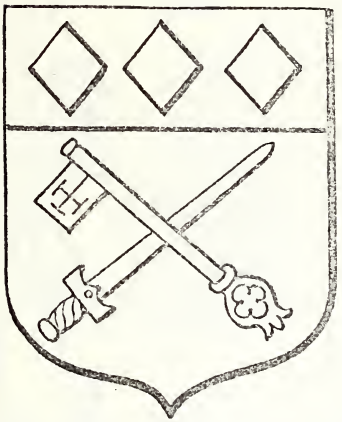
The arms now borne by the City of Salisbury, viz.: *Barry of eight azure and or*—with *two double headed eagles displayed, each gorged round the neck with a coronet*, as supporters, were confirmed at the Heralds' Visitation of 1565, as "the auntient Armes belonging and apperteining to *the Mayor his bretheren and Com'onaltie of the Cittie of New Sarum*",[2] but Gwillim gives

[1] A curious relic, conjectured, from its armorial bearings, to have belonged to this lady, was found during the excavations for drainage in Salisbury 1854. It is now in the Salisbury Museum, and consists of a small hollow ball of copper, with four slender projecting pieces of the same metal attached to its sides, round a centre hole, and originally diverging like the feathers of a shuttlecock, but now partially bent inwards [*see* illustration]. To the ends of these were appended, by loose hinge joint, four lozenge escutcheons of arms, formerly enamelled, two only of which remain and bear the arms of MONTACUTE and GRANDISON respectively—the missing two having probably been MONTHERMER and HOLAND. It is highly probable that a larger escutcheon, bearing the principal coat, once occupied the centre. A similar object (also imperfect) is in the British Museum, and both may have been portions of ornamental horse furniture of early fifteenth century workmanship.—See *Archæologia*, vol. xxxvi.



[2] These arms are therefore misplaced both on the Assize Courts at Devizes, and the new Town Hall at Trowbridge, even though in the latter

a shield of arms, evidently much more ancient, viz.: *Azure, a sword argent, hilt and pommel or, surmounted by a key of the last* [in saltire]; *on a chief argent three fusils in fess gules.*[1] Here we have the *fusils* of MONTACUTE (in compliment to that family, and their connexion with the Earldom) adapted to a still earlier bearing—viz., the *sword and key in saltire*—which is to be found borne singly on stained glass, originally in one of the windows of the Chapter House, but now removed to another window behind the Gorges monument in Salisbury Cathedral.



Among some Montacute and Neville heraldry, also in stained glass, in the windows of the "Halle of John Halle" on the Canal, in Salisbury (apparently fifteenth century) we find a different arrangement of the same arms, viz.:—*Sword and key in saltire*, impaling MONTACUTE and MONTHERMER quarterly.

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case an accompanying ribbon beneath the shield bears the lettering "COUNTY OF WILTS"! which is manifestly incorrect. On the erection of the Wilts County Asylum, a shield bearing the dragon of Wessex, of which kingdom Wiltshire formed a portion, was placed over the entrance, as the most appropriate substitute in the absence of any recognized County arms.

[1] The same arms are also given, by Speed and others, as belonging to the County. The so called arms of Counties having, in most cases as in this instance, merely been adopted from the heraldic insignia of their early Earls —without, it is believed, any real authority from the College of Arms.

In Bedford's *Blazon of Episcopacy* the arms here engraved are also (on the authority of Wriothesley's MSS., Clumber) ascribed to Nicholas Shaxton Bishop of Salisbury (1535-9). The blazon being, in each case, precisely the same, the Bishop, whilst in possession of the See, must apparently have adopted the arms of the Cathedral City.

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(To be continued.)

PEDIGREE OF MONTACUTE

Arms—Argent, three lozenges conjoined in fess Gules [with or without *a bordure Sable*] MONTACUTE
quartering, *Or, an eagle displayed Vert, beaked and membered Gules* MONTHERMER.

William de Montacute, Marshal of England, created Earl of Salisbury 16 Mar. 1337; died 30 January 1343-4. Founder of Bisham, or Bustlesham Priory, co. Berks. Patron of Market Lavington, 1342.

= Katherine, dau. of Wm. Lord Grandison. In 1346-7 she had a rent of £20 issuing out of co. Wilts. Patron of Market Lavington 1347. Bur. at Bustlesham.

Sir Ralph de Monthermer, married 1296-7; died 1325-6. [He remarried Isabella de Hastinges.]

Lady Joan of Acre, 2nd dau. of Edw. I, by Eleanor of Castile, and wid. of Gilbert de Clare 7th Earl of Gloucester. Died at Clare 23 Apr. 1307; bur. there.

Thomas de Monthermer, born 1300-1; Lord Monthermer killed in naval battle, 1340.

= Margaret, dau. of . . . Tiptoft.

Edward de Monthermer, b. 1304; d. s.p. after 1338; bur. at Clare.

Mary, b. at Marlborough Castle 1207; d. *c.* 1345. = Duncan, Earl of Fife.

Elizabeth. = Giles Badlesmere, d. s.p. 1360.

William de Montacute, son and heir = (2nd Earl), K.G., Lord of Man (which he sold in 1393 to Sir William Scrope, Earl of Wilts) and of the Isle of Wight. Will 20 Apr. 1397; d. 3 June following. To be buried at Bustlesham. *Test. Vet.*, p. 145.

Elizabeth, dau. and heir of Sir John de Mohun, of Dunster, knt. Will 1414, 24 Nov.; d. 14 Jan. following. To be buried at Bustlesham- *Test. Vet.*, p. 183.

(2) Sir John de Montacute, knt., Lord Montacute. Summoned to Parliament from 1356 to 1389. Will 20 Mar. 1388. *Test. Vet.*, p. 124. Bur. in Salisbury Cathedral. "A plain tomb to be made for me, with the image of a knight thereon." [Married *ante* 1349.]

= Margaret, dau. and heiress, born at Stoke Ham 1329; died 1395.

Sir William de Montacute said to have been killed in a tilting match, by his father, at Windsor, 6 August 1382.

Philippa, wife of Roger Mortimer, Earl of March. Will 21 Nov. 1378, proved 9 Feb. 1381. *Test. Vet.*, p. 101. To be bur. at Bustlesham, before the altar of St. Anne, to which she bequeathed books, chalices, vestments, etc.

John de Montacute, son and heir, Baron Monthermer (3rd Earl), Marshal of England. Beheaded and attainted 1 Henry IV [1399-1400]. [His wife, Maud, was relict of (1) Alan Boxhull, and (2) John Aubrey.]

= Maud, dau. of Sir Adam Francis, knt., Sheriff and Lord Mayor of London. Will 22 June 1423. *Test. Vet.*, p. 205. To be buried at Bustlesham.

Sir Richard, living 1428.

Thomas, Dean of Sarum Will 6 May 1404, died 31 August following. To be buried in Salisbury Cathedral. *Test. Vet.*, p. 195.

Sibyll [Prioress of Amesbury in 1410, died 1420].

Catherine.

Margaret.

Alianore.

Thomas de Montacute, son and heir, Earl of Salisbury, Perch, and Lord Monthermer, K.G. Restored 1421. Died of a wound in the face, received at the seige of Orleans 3 Nov. 1428, s.p.m. Will (without date) in *Test. Vet.*, p. 215. To be bur. at Bustlesham.

= Eleanor, sister and coheir of Edmund Holand, Earl of Kent, K.G. He remarried Alice, dau. of Thomas Chaucer, Esq. son and heir of Geoffrey Chaucer, the Poet. (*W. N. & Q.*, iii, 288.)

Anne, eldest dau., ob. 28 Nov. 1547. =
3. John Holand, Duke of Exeter.
1. Sir Richard Haukford, knt.
2. Sir John Fitz-Lewis, knt.

Alice, sole dau. and heir, aged *c.* 22 in 1428; married *c.* 1424.

= Richard Nevil, K.G., Earl of Salisbury *jure uxoris*.

In 40 Edw. III [1365-6] John de Grauntsoun [Grandison] enfeoff John de Montacute with two knight's fees in Somerset and eight in Wilts.

RECORDS OF WILTSHIRE PARISHES.

ERCHFONT WITH STERT.

(*Continued from p.* 451.)

PATENT ROLL. [1 *Richard II, pt.* 1, *m.* 20.]

A.D. 1377. Exemplification, at the request of the tenants of Lerchesfonte [*sic*] and Caninge, of a certificate sent into Chancery by the king's treasurer and chamberlains, being an extract from *Domesday Book* concerning the lands there belonging to the church of St. Mary of Winchester. Tested by the king at Westminster, July 15.

IBID. [6 *Richard II, pt.* 2, *m.* 26.]

A.D. 1383. Licence for appropriation in mortmain by the abbess and convent of St. Mary's, Winchester, of the church of Erchesfunt, Co. Wilts, the advowson of which they hold in chief as parcel of the temporalities of the foundation of the abbey. Tested by the king at Westminster, Dec. 4.

By privy seal and for 50 marks paid to the hanaper.

IBID. [8 *Richard II, pt.* 1, *m.* 8.]

A.D. 1384. Licence for 100*s.* paid to the king by the abbess and convent of St. Mary's, Winchester, for them to grant Walter Skyllyng, chaplain, for life, a yearly rent of 40*l.* issuing from their manor of Erchesfonte, notwithstanding that it is a parcel of the foundation of their abbey. Tested at Westminster, Dec. 6.

IBID. [*Pt.* 2, *m.* 5.]

A.D. 1385. Grant to the king's clerk, John de Chytterne,[1] of the prebend or portion of Erchesfonte in the conventual church of St. Mary, Winchester, in the king's gift by reason of the late voidance of the abbey. At Eltham, June 19.

By signet letter.

[1] Archdeacon of Sarum and Wilts.

INQUISITION POST MORTEM. [9 *Richard II, m.* 56.]

A.D. 1385. Inquest taken at New Sarum Tuesday next after the feast of St. Giles, 9 Richard II. Jurors say that Alice de la Mare, abbess of St. Mary, Winchester, held on the day of her death the manors of Erchesfonte and Allecanynges in co. Wilts, of the king's gift in frank almoigne as of the ancient foundation of the king's ancestors. And the manor of Erchesfunte is worth in all its issues according to the true value yearly 50 marks and the manor of Allecannynges 20*lib.* And she died on Thursday next after the feast of the Purification of B. Mary in above said year and held no other lands or tenements in the said county of the lord king or of any one else in chief.

PATENT. [9 *Richard II, pt.* 1, *m.* 39.]

A.D. 1385. Presentation of John de Chytterne to the portion in the church of Erchesfonte formerly held by Master Ralph of York,[1] and in the king's gift by reason of the abbey of St. Mary, Winchester, being in his hands through voidance. Tested by the king at Westminster, Sept. 12.

PATENT. [11 *Richard II, pt.* 2, *m.* 37.]

A.D. 1388. *Inspeximus* and confirmation to Joan, abbess of St. Mary's, Winchester, of a charter[2] dated at Westminster 12 June, 21 Edward I, being a grant to that house of free warren in their desmesne lands of Erchesfunte, co. Wilts. For 1 mark paid in the hanaper. Tested at Westminster, Feb. 18.

CALENDAR OF PAPAL REGISTERS. [*Papal Letters, iv, p.* 406.

A.D. 1391. To the abbess and convent of St. Mary's, Winchester, confirmation of the appropriation of the church of

[1] Chancellor and Canon of Sarum; he was a great benefactor of the Cathedral Library, many valuable MSS. and books having been presented by him, with portions, both of the Old and New Testament, of the date of the thirteenth century, and also a copy of the Book of Proverbs, and the Song of Solomon, of the eleventh and twelfth centuries, which are still preserved there; he died in 1309. There seem to have been two persons of this name living at the same time. *See* Jones' *Fasti.*—[ED.]

[2] *Vide Charter Roll*, 21 Edw. I, No. 18.

Erchesfont of their patronage, value 40 marks, made to them by Ralph,[1] bishop of Wells, then Bishop of Salisbury, with consent of William Potyn, archdeacon (within whose archdeaconry Erchesfont lies) and the chapter of Salisbury, and fortified with their respective seals, the revenues of the monastery being 450 marks, their movable goods being much diminished, many of their animals having perished, and their arable lands being uncultivated by reason of the pestilence. 5 Non. July, St. Peter's, Rome.

Lateran Regista, vol. xvii, f. 141[d].

LAY SUBSIDIES, WILTS [$\frac{196}{55}$].

[*Account of aid for marrying Blanche, the king's daughter, 3 Henry IV.*]

HUNDRED OF SWANBOROUGH.

From warden of the new college of St. Mary, Oxford, 20*s.* received for a knight's fee in Steorte held of the lord king in chief.

IBID. [$\frac{196}{68}$].

[*Transcript of certificate of men and women holding land and tenements to clear value of 20li. yearly.* 13 *Henry IV.*]

THE WARDEN OF THE COLLEGE OF ST. MARY, OXFORD, has lands, tenements, and rents in Wilts which are worth yearly, beyond deductions, 40*li.*, viz., at Steorte and Aulton to value of 20*li.*, at Colerne to value of 20*li.*, for which, with the clergy, he does not pay to the tenth. And how much he has elsewhere in other counties we [? the sheriffs and escheators of the county] cannot state.

JOHN MALWAYN has lands, tenements, and rents worth yearly, beyond deductions, 25*li.*, viz., in Ethelhampton, Wed-

[1] Ralph Erghum, appointed by the Pope, the nominee of the chapter being set aside, and consecrated at Bruges by the Archbishop of Canterbury in 1375; he claimed the right of visiting the prebends during a vacancy in the Deanery; the matter was ultimately referred to the Holy See, and given against him. He was translated to Wells, where he was buried in 1400. *See* Jones' *Fasti*.—[ED.]

hampton, Erchesfonte, and Conock to value of 20*li.*, and at Merton to value of 100*s.* yearly.

IBID. [$\frac{196}{87}$].

[*Accounts of subsidy of* 6*s.* 8*d. from knight's fees*, 6 *Henry VI.*]

HUNDRED OF STOTFOLD.

From the warden and scholars of St. Mary's College of Winchester, in Oxford, for 1 knight's fee from certain lands and tenements which lately belonged to Bartholomew Burwayssh in Sterte held immediately of the king in chief—6*s.* 8*d.*

IBID. [$\frac{196}{100}$].

[*Alien subsidy of* 16*d. from foreign householders and* 6*d. from foreign non-householders*, 18 *Henry VI.*]

Names of aliens, householders in the Hundred of Swanborough:—

From Maurice Taillour, of Erchefonte, Irishman, at Easter 8*d.*, at Michaelmas 8*d.*

Names of aliens not householders:—

From Denys, chaplain of Erchesfont, Frenchman, at Easter 3*d.*, at Michaelmas 3*d.*

[The note is interlined above the last that he has removed.]

IBID. [$\frac{196}{111}$].

[*Account of collection of the* 15*ths and* 10*ths*, 23-24 *Henry VI.*]

HUNDRED OF STOTFOLD.

From Wedhampton, 31*s.*; from Erchesfonte, 35*s.*; from Estcote, 31*s.*, whereof for goods and chattels of Rector and brethren of Edyngton, 12*s.*; from Stert, 15*s.*, whereof for goods and chattels of Master and Scholars of College of St. Mary of Winchester in Oxford, 5*s.*

IBID. [$\frac{196}{112}$].

[*Towns and Villages waste and impoverished, excused from certain sums out of half of the* 15^{ths} *and* 10^{ths}, 24 *Henry VI.*]

HUNDRED OF STODFIELD.

Wedhampton, 2*s.*; Richesfounte, 3*s.* 4*d.*; Escote, 12*d.*

EARLY CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS [*Bundle* 9, *No.* 121].

A.D. 1438-39.—Unto my graceous lorde the Chaunceller of Inglande. Right mekely beseecheth vnto your graceous lordeship William Caser, of Wilteshire, that how be it that William Auncell, fader in lawe to the seid beseecher, stode seised in certain landes and tenementz in hise demene as in fee in Erchesfont, Escote, and Stokewyke, in the seid Counte, in the which of hie trust and grete affecion the seid William Auncell enfeoffed John Beriard, John Malewayn, John Bacon, and Richard Malewayn, vnder this condicion that the said feoffes shulden refeoff the seid William Auncell, and Katerine hise Wyfe, and the heirs of their twoo bodies lawefully goten, in the landes and tenementz aforeseid, for faute of issue of their twoo bodies to the next heir of the seid William Auncell, the which feoffes refeoffed the seid William Auncell and Katerine in maner aboveseid, restreyning in the feoffment all the seid landes and tenementz, apon this condicion: that if the children of the seid William Auncell and Katerine happened to over lyf and be mysgoverned in their tendre [years] thai shulden be holpen and releved with the landes and tenementz aforeseid. And now it is, soo graceous lorde, how all the seid feoffes ben past to god, and oon John Malewayn, son & heir to the seid Richard Malewayn, son of the feoffes aforeseid by sinistre enformacion and evel stiryngs of oon William Walrond, stepfader to the wyfe of the seid biseeher, which William Walrond hath take aweye dedes longyng to the seid heritage, & livered hom to the seid John Malewayn; hath entered into the seid landes & tenementz, and aliened ouer to straunge persones contrare to the feoffment aforeseid, ayenest faithe and gode conscience, to perpetual disheretison of the issue of seid William

Auncell, and Katerine, withoute youre graceous helpe and socour in this caas. Wherapon like it to youre gode and graceous lordship to grant a writ vnder certaine payne direct vnto the seid John Malewayn to apere bifore youre graceous presence, in the chauncerie, there to be examyned apon the materis aforeseid, and ouer that to hafe and to receive that by youre graceous lordeship shall be ordeyned and awardet in this caas. For the love of God and in wey of charitee.

MEMORANDUM.—That on 4 May, 17 Henry VI, John Tanfeld & John Longull, in presence of the king in the chancery mainprised, viz., each of them, to William Caser, that in case he, William Caser, could not prove the matter specified in the petition, then he, William Caser, should satisfy William Walrond aforeseid for all his damages and expenses sustained in that behalf.

PATENT ROLL. [21 *Henry VI, pt.* 1, *m.* 1.[1]]

A.D. 1443.—The king grants to abbess and convent of St. Mary's, Winchester, forever, view of frankpledge, assize of bread and ale with waifs and strays and all other appurtenances of the view, at both their manors of Erchesfonte and Canynges, with the hamlets thereof, co. Wilts; also freedom to them and their successors, and to their tenants resident and not resident of said manors forever, from suit to hundred of Stotfold, and from the reception and hospitality of any sheriffs officers, bailiffs, or other royal ministers. Tested by the King at Westminster, 4 July. By privy seal.

E. M. THOMPSON.

(To be continued.)

[1] The same grant is enrolled on Patent Roll, 21 Henry VI, *pt.* 2, *m.* 24, the hundred there going by the name of Swanborough.

QUAKERISM IN WILTSHIRE.

III.—BIRTH RECORDS.

SECOND SERIES—1700 to 1750.

(*Continued from p.* 455.)

U.

1706-5-7.—Joseph USHER, son of Joseph and Mary Usher, of Devizes.

W.

1700-10-6.—Isack [Isaac] WILLIS, son of Daniel and Jane Willis, of Caln.

1700-10-26.—At Bradford, Mary WILLIT, dau. of James and Mary Willit, of Bradford, Sarg Maker.

1703-9-4.—Richard WILLET, son of James and Mary Willet, of Bradford.

1703-10-8.—John WILEY, son of Thomas and Hannah Wiley, of Melksham.

1704-8-10.—Hester WILLIS, dau. of Daniel and Jane Willis, of Calne.

1704-9-26.—At Bradford, Elizabeth WILLET, dau. of James and Mary Willet, of Bradford.

1704-12-25.—Joseph WILLIS, son of John and Sarah Willis, of Devizes.

1705-5-10.—At Melksham, Martha WYLY, dau. of Thomas and Hannah Wyly, of Melksham.

1705-11-11.—Daniell WHEELAR, son of John Wheelar, of Calne.

1706-4-9.—Mary WILLIS, dau. of John and Sarah Willis, of Devizes.

1706-10-3.—At Warminster, William WYLY, son of Thomas and Hannah Wyly, of Warminster.

1707-10-3.—William WILEY, son of Thomas and Hannah Wiley, of Melksham.

1707/8-11-31.—Jacob WILLIS, son of Daniell and Jane Willis, of Caln.

1708-8-24.—Mary WEKEHAM, dau. of Jacob and Ann Wekeham, of Caln.

1709-1-4[14].—James Whit [White], son of William and Elizabeth Whit [White], of Lavington.

1709-3-10.—Hannah Wyly, dau. of Thomas and Hannah Wyly.

1709/10-1-12.—Grace Willis, dau. of Daniel and Jane Willis, of Caln.

1711-6-11.—Sarah Willis, dau. of William and Kathran Willis, of Calston.

1711-8-9.—Josiah Wakeham, son of Jacob and Ann Wakeham, of Cadcombe.

1712-2-16.—Jane Wyly, dau. of Thomas and Hannah Wyly, of Melksham.

1713-2-9.—Jacob Wakeham [Weakeham], son of Jacob and Ann Wakeham [Weakeham], of Cadcombe [Catcoon, Hilmarten ph.].

1713-3-18.—Elizabeth Willis, dau. of William and Kathran Willis.

1713-12-9.—James Wilkins, son of James and Martha Wilkins, of Sarum.

1714-3-10.—Grace Willis, dau. of William and Katharen Willis.

1714-6-6.—At Melksham, Jane Wyly, dau. of Thos. and Hannah Wyly, of Melksham.

1715-4-9.—James Wilkins, son of James and Martha Wilkins, of Sarum.

1715-5-12.—Katharen Willis, dau. of William and Katharen Willis, of Calstone.

1715-12-21.—William Webb, son of John and Mary Webb, of Mashfield.

1716-3-7.—Sarah Wayne [Wain] [Waine], dau. of Edmond and Hannah Wayne [Wain] [Waine], of Purton.

1716-6-7.—William Willis, son of William and Katharen Willis, of Calstoan.

1718-4-24.—John Willis, son of Will[m] Willis, of Calstone.

1719-2-16.—William Waine, son of Edmond and Hannah Waine.

1719-5-16.—Sarah Witcher, dau. of Jno. Witcher, of Devizes.

1719-11-2.—Mary Webb, dau. of John and Mary Webb, of Mashfield.

1721-1-*.—In Coothoon ph., Thomas WEBB, son of John and Mary Webb.

1721-9-7.—In St. Martaines ph., City of New Sarum, Rachell WILKENS, dau. of James and Martha Wilkens.

1722-5-23.—James WAINE, son of Edmund and Hanah Waine.

1723-7-29.—In Coothoon ph., Isaac WEBB, son of John and Mary Webb.

1724-10-12.—Isaac WAINE, son of Edmund and Hannah Waine.

1728-2-7.—Edmund WAINE, son of Edmund and Hannah Waine.

1739-4-22.—Benjamin Paine WILLIS, son of John and Mary Willis, of Marlbro.

1741-5-10.—Ann WILLIS, dau. of John and Mary Willis [of Marlbro].

Y.

1702-11-13.—John YOUNG, son of Thomas and Mary Young, of Brinkworth ph.

1704-3-3.—Daniel YOUNG, son of Thomas and Mary Young, of Brinkworth ph.

1705-9-20[27].—Mary YOUNG, dau. of Thomas and Mary Young, of Dantses [Brinkworth ph.].

1707-9-24.—Thomas YOUNG, son of Thomas and Mary Young, of Brinkworth ph.

1708/9-11-6.—Daniell YOUNG, son of Daniell and Alise Young, of Charlcut Meeting.

1710-1-1.—Elizabeth YOUNG, dau. of Thomas and Mary Young, of Dantsey.

1713-2-6.—Robert YOUNG, son of Thomas and Mary Young, of Dantsey.

1714-9-5.—Michael YOUNG, son of Daniel and Alice Young, of Brinkworth.

1719-3-21.—Sarah YOUNG, dau. of Daniel and Alice Young, of Brinkworth.

1721-8-22.—James YOUNG, son of Daniel and Alice Young, of Brinkworth.

1739-6-29.—John YOUNG, son of Thomas and Mary Young, of of Grittenham, Brinkworth ph.

1742-12-22.—Mary YOUNG, dau. of Thomas and Mary Young, Grittenham.

1746-3-3.—Robert YOUNG, son of Thomas and Mary Young, of Grittenham.

1748-7-15.—Hannah YOUNG, dau. of Thomas and Mary Young, of Grittenham.

NORMAN PENNEY.

Devonshire House,
Bishopsgate, E.C.

(*To be continued.*)

A CALENDAR OF FEET OF FINES FOR WILTSHIRE.

(*Continued from p.* 457.)

ELIZABETH.

114. Anno 3.—Henry Newman, *alias* Evered, *and* Matthew Andros and Johanna his wife; messuage and garden in the parish of St. Mark, in the city of New Sarum. £80.

115. Anno 3.—Gabriell Pledell, gen., *and* Richard Crotche, gen., and Johanna his wife; messuages and lands in Wooton Bassett, and common of pastureage in Vasterne. £40.

116. Anno 3.—Lawrence Chaterton, gen., *and* Christopher Dysmars, gen.; messuages and lands in Marlborough.

117. Anno 3.—Robert Gryffith, gen., *and* Edward Rede, gen., and Cicely his wife; messuages and lands in New Sarum. 20 marks.

118. Anno 3.—Edward Rede and Cicely his wife, *and* Robert Bartar; messuages and lands in Sutton Mandfield. £100.

119. Anno 3.—Christopher Dodynton, gen., *and* William Shepherd and Edith his wife; messuages and lands in Mere, Merewoodland, and Bourton. 50 marks.

120. Anno 3.—John Sturges, arm., *and* William Allen, gen., and Mary his wife; manor of Tokenham; messuages and lands in Tokenham and Tokenham Wike. £100.

121. Anno 3.—William Matravers *and* Nicholas Nowell and Barbara his wife; messuages and lands in Bydston. £40.

122. Anno 3.—William Goddard, gen., *and* Ralph Croke; manor of East heyes; messuages and lands in East heyes, Okborne Mesye and Rainsburye. £80.

123. Anno 3.—Anthony Geeryng and Geofrey Clerke *and* Henry Earl of Huntingdon; messuages and lands in Brinkworth. £150.

124. Anno 3.—Thomas Longe, senior, gen., *and* William Wheteacre, *alias* Bathe; one fulling mill and lands in Calne, *alias* Calston. £40.

125. Anno 3.—John Yewe *and* Henry Earl of Arundel, John Lumley, knt., Lord Lumley and Jane his wife; manor of Somford Mautravers; messuages and lands in Somford Mautravers. £240.

126. Anno 3.—Richard Woodroffe *and* Henry Earl of Arundel, John Lord Lumley and Jane his wife; messuages and lands in Cootes. £160.

127. Anno 3.—Edmund Perce *and* Robert Wrene; messuages and lands in Marlborough. £40.

128. Anno 3.—Nicholas Snowe *and* Henry, Earl of Arundel, John Lord Lumley and Jane his wife; manor of Winterborne Matreves; messuages and lands in Winterbornestoke. £160.

129. Anno 3.—Mathew Arundel and Henry Charrington *and* Andrew Baynton and Edward Baynton; messuages and lands in Standley, *als.* Standeley Abbey or Monastery, Brenhill, *als.* Bremble, Chippenham, Chittow, Rowde, Rowdestandely, Lacocke, Ettonstandely Hasilbury, Standley, Loxwell, and Tudderyngton Kelwayes. £2140.

130. Anno 3.—Thomas Codrynton and William Stylman *and* Anthony Stylman, gen.; messuages and lands in Brecorr, Whitparishe, Newton and Lanford. 220 marks.

131. Anno 3.—Henry Bronker, arm., and Leonard Ive *and* John Asteley, arm., and Katherine his wife, Thomas Asteley, arm., and Richard Asteley, gen.; messuages and lands

in Nettleton, and the advowson of the church of Nettleton. £657.

132. Anno 3.—George Fissher *and* George Brockewey, clericus, and Hugo Hawker, gen.; manor of Ferne, *als.* Verne; messuages and lands in Ferne, *als.* Verne, in the parish of Donhed St. Andrew.

133. Anno 3.—George Wilton *and* Thomas Sharpe; messuages in Endlestreet and Eygonstrete in New Sarum. £40.

134. Anno 4.—Henry Sharyngton, arm., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm.; messuages and lands in Bovedon, *alias* Bowdon, Chittowe, Canninge Epi., Bromeham, Lacock and Chippenham. £40.

135. Anno 4.—Thomas Stevens, gen., *and* Edmund Bridges, knight, Lord Chandos and Dorothy his wife; messuages and lands in Burythorpe, *als.* Burderoppe, in the parish of Chisselden. £540.

136. Anno 4.—William Yate, senior, *and* William Yate, junior, and Agnes his wife; messuages and lands in Higheworth, Esthroppe, Westhroppe, and Hampton Turvyle. 100 marks.

137. Anno 4.—William Androwes *and* Henry Benger and Mary his wife; messuage and lands in Marlboro'. 20 marks.

138. Anno 4.—Philip Stokes, gen., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm.; messuages and lands in Stanley, Chyppenham Stanley, and Chyppenham. £260.

139. Anno 4.—Robert Tyderlegh and William Massie *and* John Hussie and Margaret his wife, and George Adelham; messuages and lands in Westbury and Leigh.

E. A. Fry.

(*To be continued.*)

SEVENHAMPTON.

Buried in the chronicle of Abingdon Abbey[1] is a charter of Edward the Confessor, which is there erroneously placed under the reign of Edward the Elder, although it is actually dated 1043, a date with which the witnesses are in harmony. This charter purports to grant "ministro meo Ælfstan nominato x mansas ubi dicitur æt Seofonhæmtune", and is followed by its boundaries in Anglo-Saxon. The chronicle adds that Ælfstan bestowed "Sefouenhamtune" on the Abbey. Now although the Editor has suggested Shrivenham as the identification, the place was clearly Sevenhampton (Wilts), which we learn from Domesday (71[b]), was assessed at ten hides, and had been held by that great Wiltshire thegn Ælfstan of Boscombe ("Alestan de Boscumbe"), who held lands in several counties. And his charter tells us how he obtained it, but, in spite of the chronicle's statement, we find it, with his other lands, in the hands of William d'Eu in 1086. Possibly the gift to the abbey had been ignored or overridden.

As the charter is witnessed by Edward's mother, it cannot be earlier than his coronation in April, or later than her fall in November 1043. As would be expected, Danes are still found among the witnesses, while no Normans yet appear.

J. H. Round.

EYRE OF WILTS.

Why this family is so named is at present involved in obscurity. We give two traditions for the amusement of our readers, dismissing them at once as idle fables, savouring too much of the humour of a *Comic History of England*, such as (be-

[1] Ed. Rolls Series, i, 53.

lieved in, and stated as true generation after generation) have done so much to bring Genealogy and Heraldry into contempt. These traditions, so called, have obviously come into being many years after the alleged events took place; in face of them we elect to be amongst the followers of the vulgar and envious Blotton, who refused to believe in the antiquity of that interesting inscription discovered by the late Mr. Pickwick in Cobham, co. Kent:—

At the battle of Hastings the Conqueror was unhorsed and his helmet beaten into his face, which a soldier of his army, named Truelove, observing, pulled off, and horsed him again. The Duke told him, "Thou shalt hereafter from Truelove be called Air or Eyre,[1] because thou hast given me the air I breathe." After the battle the Duke, finding him sorely wounded, his leg and thigh struck off, ordered him the utmost care, gave him lands, and the leg and thigh in armour cut off for his crest.

Another variation of the story of the origin of the Eyre crest is that Humphrey le Heyr, of Bromham, rescued Richard Cœur de Lion, at the seige of Ascalon, at the cost of his leg, and that the leg *couped* was granted to him in remembrance of the occasion.

It seems hardly likely that a Norman soldier should bear the purely Saxon name of Truelove, and though the late Mr. Eyre Matcham, of Newhouse, considered that the old spelling of the name, "le Heyr" or "le Her", led directly to its origin, and "shows that in its Saxon or German sense the possessor claimed, and was allowed, the distinction and degree of a chief or noble", yet I am inclined to the theory that the name is of Pyrenean origin.

Mary Eyre, sister of the late Governor Eyre, of Jamaica fame, in her book, *A Lady's Walks in the South of France* (1865), mentions a height called "Pic d' Eyre", so named in

[1] Eyre=to journey, *e. g.*, "Justices *in eyre*"; hence perhaps the crest is one of the many instances of *armes parlantes*, or canting heraldry.—[Ed.]

Phillippe's book, *Flor des Pyrennees*, and Mrs. Richardson-Eyre, sister of the head of the family of Eyre of Wilts, tells me she found in Bordeaux a street called "Rue des Eyres", and that, as a termination, it was common in the Pyrenees and the adjoining province of Gascony, where she met such names as "Peyeyre", "Tisseyre", etc.

Eyre of Bromham.—The first mention made of the family in Wiltshire is a grant from Galicia, the wife of Humphrey le Heyr of Bromham, who was, according to tradition, a follower of Richard I in the Crusade, to Nicholas her son. Humphrey le Heyr had two sons, (1) Galfridus and (2) the afore-mentioned Nicholas. In an undated deed, probably made in the reign of Henry III, Galfridus, the son of Humphrey, granted to his brother Nicholas certain possessions on conditions of homage and service. To this Galfridus succeeded a son, another Galfridus, who, however, spells his name "le Ere", in a grant made to William Roff, or Ross, on the Sunday next to the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, in the fifteenth year of Edw. II. This deed is dated at Bromham, and among the witnesses is a John de la Roche, who was one of that family that held large property at Bromham, known as "Roches Manor", as distinct from the ecclesiastical manor of Bromham Battle (the property of Battle Abbey). From the de la Roches this property passed, in 1508, into the family of Bayntun (a daughter of which house married an Eyre of Chaldfield), as representative of a co-heiress of Roche. The Roche Arms (*three roaches*) are still to be seen painted on the roof of the Bayntun Chapel in Bromham Church, whilst they are also sculptured on the outer walls of that beautiful and ancient Chapel.

Galfridus le Eyre was alive in the following reign of Edw. III, when he obtained, in 1346, from Robert Wyvil, Bishop of Salisbury, a licence to hear service in the Chapel of his mansion house at Bromham. He left, according to Hoare's

History of Wilts, two sons: (1) Stephen le Eyr, (2) Simon, otherwise John le Eyr (for whom *see* later under "Eyre of Wedhampton").

The eldest line of the family from Stephen le Eyre continued to live at Bromham, and is recorded in the *Visitation of Wilts*, 1623, but though at that date still of parochial influence, it seems to have fallen from its former high estate and gone down in the social scale at the same time as the junior branches were growing in importance and wealth at Chaldfield and Salisbury.

The last four entries of Eyre (if the names really belonged to members of this family) in the Church Registers tell their own tale of the disappearance of the branch who for 500 years had its home at Bromham, they are as follows :—

Burials:

1668. Mar. 24, William Eyer, an ould man.
1680. Feb. 25, William Eyre of Hawk street, a single man.
1684. May 21, Mary Eyre, widow.
1686. Feb. 27, Mary Eyre, widow.

A solitary memorial still remains in Bromham Church to the Eyre family in the rhyming brass which follows :—

Elizabeth Eyre, the wife of Thomas
Eyre, Gent., & Daughter of
John Yerbury, Gent., de-
parted this life the 29th
of August, 1637.

Here lyes an Heire, who to an Heire was Joynd
And Dyinge lefte an little Heire behind
Hard hearted Death heerin was somewhat mild
Hee tooke the Mother, but hee spar'd the child
Yet the one's more happy farre, then is the other
The Child's an Heire on earth, in Heav'n the mother
Where with triumphant Saints and Angells bright:
Shee now enjoyes her Blessed Saviour's sight.

A. S. Hartigan.

(To be continued.)

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS IN CORSHAM CHURCH.

These were printed, some twelve years ago, in vol. iv of the late Dr. Howard's *Miscell. Gen. et Herald.*, New Series, and the compiler, perhaps, seeing only *bars* on the impalement of KINGTON, on that monument in the north chapel, jumped to the conclusion that it was meant for FULLER, whereas it should be credited to PANTON, John Kington's wife being Mary, daughter of Charles Panton, of Bathcaston (*Wilts N. & Q.*, iv, 437). On recently visiting the church, we could not distinguish the *crowns* of KINGTON, and perceived only patches of red on its impalement. We give the arms as borne by PANTON in some notes below.

On the Hulbert monument, placed in the chancel by the Goldney family, it is stated that "John Gallimore Hulbert married Elizabeth Kington, of Stowell"; we are informed by a correspondent, a member of the Kington family, that this is incorrect, "for John Gallimore Hulbert married at Atworth (July 4, 1765), Elizabeth, daughter of Anthony Kington, of Atworth, and sister of Anthony Kington, of Widcomb Manor. Elizabeth, daughter of Anthony Kington, of Stowell, Corsham and Notton, died unmarried September 8, 1823, and has a monument in St. Mary Redcliff, Bristol".

In the north chapel is a large handsome alabaster monument; under a flat stone canopy on the dexter side two mutilated figures, kneeling face to face; on the sinister side are four kneeling female figures with ruffs, the hindmost one without a head; above this monument a helmet with crest, *An elephant statant*; with a shield of six quarterings, viz., 1 and 6, *Sable, a chevron between three fishes embowed argent, a chief or*, COBB. 2, *A fess between three birds volant.* 3, *Blank* or *illegible.* 4, *A fess between six fleurs-de-lys.* 5, *A cross bottony.*

On a dexter obelisk above the canopy is a shield, *blank* or *illegible*; on the sinister one, *A bend wavy, in chief three crescents ermine*; over a pillar separating the two groups, crest of COBB,

on either side a shield, the dexter *blank* or *illegible*, the sinister, Cobb; impaling, *A fess between three fleurs-de-lys gules.*

On dexter side are four shields hanging from ring and ribbons; 1, Cobb; impaling, *A cross bottony between four . . . . or.* 2, Cobb; impaling, *Quarterly . . . . in each quarter a stag statant.* 3, Cobb (overwritten Cobb). 4, Cobb; impaling, *Argent, two bars sable* (overwritten Cobb . . . . on). On the sinister side are also four like shields; 1, Cobb; impaling, *A fess gules between three birds volant, sable* (overwritten Cobb and Ryve). 2, Cobb; impaling, *Sable, three flagons argent* (overwritten Cobb and Le . . . . tler). 3, Cobb; impaling, *Azure, a bend wavy or, in chief three crescents ermine* (overwritten Wm. Cobb and Wilde). 4, Cobb, *with label of three points* (overwritten William Cobb). Below the kneeling figures are also three like shields; 1, *Blank*; impaling, Cobb. 2, Ditto (overwritten Wynifrede). 3, *Blank*. All, or most, of these shields seem to have had some name written over them.

Heare lyeth buried the bodie of Alice Cobb, wydow, sometyme wyfe of William Cobb, Esq., descended from the ancient family | of the Cobbs, of Sandringham, in the Covnty of Norfolke, by whome she was the mother of sixteen chilldren, seven sons and nine davghters, | all which she lived to see bvried bvt three onely. The right worshippfvll Sir William Cobb, Knight, her onely sonne, and Dame Catherine, whoe maryed | to Sir George Rvssell, of Bedford shier, Knight, and Dame Margarett, whoe maryed to Sir Richard Chomley, of Yorkshire, Knight. She | lived a made ninteen years, and a wyfe twenty-six years, and after her hvsband's death, whoe desced in October, Ao. 1598, she lived a widow thirty | yeares, havinge performed the parte bothe of a constante lovinge wife, and a kinde and carefvll mother, restinge now with the | Almightie, whome her greatest care was ever to serve and feare. Shee died the 23 of October, Ao. Dni 1627.

Mr. Harold Brakspere, F.S.A., informs us that the above was placed here under his superintendence in 1899; when the chancel of Adderbury Church was restored, it was afterwards removed to Corsham Court. Alice Cobb (*née* Wyld),[1] was

[1] She was a daughter of Otwall Wild, of Oldham, co. Lanc.

buried in Adderbury chancel. The present Lord Methuen is descended from Christian, the second daughter and co-heiress of Sir George Cobb, of Adderbury, the last baronet, who was accidentally drowned when he was over ninety.

The arms and crest of Cobb, as given in Bloomfield's *Norfolk*, Farrer's *Church Heraldry of Norfolk*, and the printed *Visitations of Norfolk*, 1563, 1589, 1613, are different from those on the monument, but the latter are given by Burke, and Anthony Wood, who mentions an impalement by William Cobb, ob. 1658-9, of, *Quarterly, azure and or, four stags trippant of the first (? counterchanged)*, Flood. According to Burke's *Extinct Baronetage* these fishes are described as *dolphins embowed*, but others blazon them as *cobs*, *herrings*, *pickerings*, all *naiant*. Geoffrey Cobb, of Sandringham, marries a Ryvett, and has a son William, who marries a Le Butler. If this monument is not returned to its proper place, we should like to see a notice placed close by, stating whence it came, and the date of its "anchorage" in Corsham.

The Rev. H. J. Gepp, Vicar of Adderbury, near Banbury, writes:—"This monument was at one time in the Chancel of this Church; it was built in front of the handsome sedilia, discovered when the monument fell to pieces (the family not caring to restore it), and the sedilia were repaired and restored by the Warden and Fellows of New College, in 1837. The pieces of the monument were kept here until 1879, when they were sent to Lord Methuen. . . . . There are other monuments to the Cobb family in the Chancel—flat stones."

Note to Kington and Selfe.

We have seen that Mary Kington was a daughter of Charles Panton, and we now find by the following monuments[1]

[1] All are given in Collinson's *Somerset*, and the two Pantons in Munk's *Roll of the Coll. of Physicians*, but only those of Richard Panton (without the arms given by Collinson) and of Ann Selfe, seem now to be visible; they were all in the chancel.

in Batheaston Church, that she had three other sisters, one of them married to a Selfe, their mother also being of that family, probably the Cecilia Ponting (? Panton) mentioned on p. 438.

North wall of Vestry, north side of Church.—On a brass shield, mounted on a white stone, enclosed in a black stone frame, flanked on either side by a pillar of the same :—

Gules, two bars ermine, on a canton sable, a moulin-de-fer argent, a bordure of the last.

Epitaphium—In fvnvs Domini Richardi Panton | Eximii peritissimique Medici | Qvi desiit mori Decimo sexto dee | Septembris anno Domini, 1684.

Alter en! Hippocrates jacet inferiore sub urnâ,
Qui modo Pantoniæ Gloria stirpis erat;
Ægros sanavit non solum sed furiosos
Ingenio veteri reddidit ille viros.
Nobilis ars, fortuna, genus, patientia, virtus,
Singula sunt paucis, sed data cuncta tibi.

Close by was a small tablet of white marble :—

Juxta hic jacet corpus Caroli Panton,[1] generosi, Richardi Panton, et Mariæ uxoris ejus filii primogeniti, olim collegio Lincoln; in academiâ Oxoniensi; ubi ex illo fonte illustrissimo omnium artium et rerum uberrimâ cognitione affluente, assidue se studiis imbuendo plerisque rebus, præcipue vero medicinalibus, admodum eruditus esset. Ille Cæciliam, Jacobi Self de Beanacre in agro Wilton; armigeri, filiam, uxorem duxit, ex quâ natæ sunt ei quatuor filiæ. Amans erat maritus, indulgensque pater, bonus vicinus, vir justus, in pauperes benignus, vereque pius domi, et ecclesiæ Dei venerator. Natus in hâc parochiâ de Bath Easton, vicesimo tertio die Aprilis Anno D'ni 1711, et Ætatis suæ 50.

North Wall of North Aisle.—A large handsome white marble tablet, framed in black marble, flanked on either side by a pillar of white veined marble, standing on base of the same :—

Ermine, three chevrons gules; impaling, *Gules, two bars ermine, on a canton argent a moulin-de-fer sable.*—PANTON.

[1] An extra Licentiate of the College of Physicians, born 23 April 1662, matr. at Lincoln College, 26 October 1678, B.A., 1682.

Mrs. Ann Selfe, | Relict of Isaac Selfe of Melksham, in ye Count of Wiltes; | Youngest daughter of Charles Panton, Gent., and Cecilia his Wife, | after a long Illness fatal to her Sister | Exchanged this Mortal for an Immortal Life | January ye 31st, 1740, in the 35th year of her Age, | Having by her Amiable Temper and Engaging Behauiour | Endeared herself to her Acquaintances, | And by an Exemplary Goodness and Sincere Piety | Recommended her Soul to GOD, | And leaving behind the character | Of an Agreeable Woman, and a Good Christian. | To Whose Memory | Mrs. Cecilia Panton, her Sorrowful Mother, Caused this Monument to be Erected | Hoping with the Ashes of her Dear Daughter | Near this Place Deposited | One Day to Mingle | Her own.

According to Collinson, the following, of white marble, were on the north wall of the chancel :—

To the pious memory of Mrs. Cecilia Panton, third daughter of Charles Panton, gent., deceased, and Cecilia his wife; who departed this life September 12, A.D. 1712, ætat. 21.

(*Here follow some verses*).

Mrs. Betty Panton, their second daughter, died July 6, A.D. 1716, ætat. 26. She was an eminent instance of God's goodness at ten years of age, being to all that knew her exemplary and obliging; to her relations affectionate; to her parents dutiful and obsequious; but above all in her piety to God constant and unwearied. Neither the bloom of her youth, nor the vanities of the world, could divert her from pressing towards her mark; and as she soon finished her course, she also quickly received her crown.

Gules, two bars or, on a canton sable a moulin-de-fer ermine.—PANTON.

Mr. Heathcote has kindly supplied us with the following abstract of a deed now in his possession, viz., the Marriage Articles of Isaac Selfe, junr. :—

1732, 29 May.—Between Thomas Selfe, of Bromham, clerk, and Isaac Selfe, son and heir of Thomas Selfe, of the one part, Cecilia Panton, of Bath Easton, widow and devisee of late Charles Panton, physician, Mary Kington, of Jaggards, widow, and Anne Panton, of Bath Easton, spinster, daus. and coh. of said Charles Panton, of the second part; Isaac Selfe, of Beanacre, and John Norris, of Nonsuch, of the third part.

By Charles Panton's will Cecilia Panton is seised of messuages, lands, &c., in Bath Easton and Bathford, in trust to sell them for the benefit of her two surviving daus. Whereas a marriage is to be had between Isaac Selfe, jr., and Anne Panton, with whom Isaac is to have £1,000, and other moneys as a marriage portion, it is agreed that Thomas Selfe, in consideration *inter alia* of £4,000 paid to him by Isaac, junr., and in case of the marriage taking place shall convey to him, all estates purchased by Thomas Selfe of Thomas Rutty, haberdasher, of London;

all other estate of Thomas Selfe in Melksham; estate of the deceased mother of Isaac, junr, (late Smith's); estate of Jacob Selfe, of Melksham, deceased (charged with £1,000), less £100 per annum reserved to Thomas, and half the fruit from Place House Orchard, provided the first four years' net are to be liable for the £1,000.

Isaac, junr. to have the last half year's rent due on Thomas Selfe's own estates; the said Isaac to pay £3.000 down, and £1.000 in four years' time at four per cent.; also to convey to Trustees within a month after the above conveyance by Thomas Selfe all the estates named above, including Henry Smith's. In Trust, for several uses, *inter alia*, to raise an annuity for Anne Panton on the death of said Isaac, in bar of dower or thirds; £4,000 to be raised for younger children, if any.

Proviso that Isaac (during the term of the Trust) may let land on building leases, three lives or ninety-nine years, and exchange lands, the land taken to be in Trust.

Cecilia Panton to pay down £1,000, and realise her estate, of which Shockerwick farm was a portion, and pay half the proceeds within four years. The said Isaac to pay Cecilia Panton interest on the lands, &c., for her life.

Signed and sealed by Thomas and Isaac Selfe, Cecilia and Ann Panton; *attested by* Ann Selfe, Anne Crane, and Samuel Webb.

BLAKE.

(*Continued from Vol. i, p.* 454.)

Will of Henry Blaake [*P.C.C.* 173 *Isham*].

I Henry Blaake the elder of the City of Bristol Esqr. do make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme following, that is to say, Whereas I have already paid the sum of Two hundred pounds as part of the marriage portion of my daughter Frances now wife of Robert Duke of Lake in the County of Wilts Esqr. but have not given her any more in regard that the settlement promised and agreed to be made by her said husband for the benefit of her and the issue which she now hath and may have by her said husband is not yet made. And whereas I have paid to Mr. Filliett the sum of £105 for his instructing my son Robert in the art of Painting and have been at an extraordinary expence in maintaining my

said son in London for five years last past my will and meaning is that my son Henry, daughter Katherine and daughter Abigail shall have and receive out of my estate each of them the full sum of two hundred pounds before any other distribution be made thereof. As to all the residue of my goods chattles and personal estate whatsoever my will is that it be equally divided between my son's five children, my gold ring set round with diamonds only excepted and that I give to my said daughter Katherine, but my further will and meaning is that my said daughter Duke's share of my said estate do and shall remain in the hands of my executors hereinafter named to be by them placed out at interest for the sole benefit of my said daughter Duke and her said husband not to intermeddle therewith or with the interest thereof until he shall have made and granted her a jointure or rent charge for her life of at least one hundred pounds per annum clear of all deductions and also settled the whole farm of Lake with the mill near adjoining together with some other estate of inheritance of the yearly value of fifty pounds on his first and other sons by him on her body begotten and to be begotten successively in tail male and that free from all incumbrances other than a rent charge of eighty pounds per annum payable to his mother Mrs. Duke out of Lake farm for and during the term of her natural life only and all this to be done to the good liking of my said daughter Duke and my said executors. My desire is that I may be buried in St. Mark's Church commonly called the Gauns in or near my daughter Elizabeth's grave and in the most private manner. And of this my will I constitute and appoint my said son Henry and my daughter Katherine my executors. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand without calling any witnesses to attest the publication of it, my handwriting being so very well known in Bristol dated August the first 1727.—Hen. Blaake.

[26° Die July 1731, at Bristol, John Michael and James Britten both of the city of Bristol gentlemen, being sworn deposed that they very well knew the character and manner of

handwriting of Henry Blaake the elder of Bristol and that the paper writing or will produced, beginning and ending as above, they believed to be the handwriting of sd. Henry Blaake.]

[Proved at London 29 July 1731.]

MISCELLANEA.

The following are copies of some Indentures in possession of Mr. James Coleman, of Tottenham:—

Ind're 10 May, 32 Hen. VIII [1540]. Bet. Richard Paxsall, Esq., and John Chaderton, of Portsmouth, gent. Wit. that sd. R. P. hath demised, &c., all that his pasture ground and leyse called Great and Little Quabbe in par. Lichefelde, co. South., w'ch Rich. Palshide, Esq., late held. For 28 years—paying 26*s.* 8*d.* yearly.

Seal—*A griffin segreant within a bordure charged with* 8 *hurts (?).*

Signed "JOHN CHADERTON."

Ind're 10 June, 28 Eliz. [1586]. Bet. Thomas Haydock, of Stanton fitz warren, co. Wilts, gent., and George Whiteguifte, of Lambeth, co. Surrey. Wit. that sd. Tho. Haydock, for £500, hath granted and sold certain mess's and lands with app's and fishing in Aston Bowges, par. Bampton, co. Oxon.

Signed "THOMAS HAYDOCK."

Thomas Haydock
|
Alexander Haydock
|
Thomas Haydock, 28 Eliz.

Ind're 10 Jan., 18 Jas. I [1619-20]. Bet. John Alright, of Charleton, co. Wilts, son and heir apparent of Geo. Alright, of Earley, par. of Sonninge, co. Berks, *and* Richd. Alright, of Reading, co. Berks, Broadweaver, brother of sd. John. Wit. that sd. John, for £30, hath granted &c., two mess. or ten'ts, gardens, outhouses, &c., in par. St. Giles, Reading, on the west part of Syvier St., late in ten. of Mathewe Cripps, with all deeds, writings, &c., to the same belonging.

Signed "JOH. ALRYGHT."

THE POLECAT IN WILTSHIRE.

In the *Daily News* a short time ago it was reported that some otter hounds were found to be running a polecat. This bit of news reminds me that some four or five years ago I put up one of these animals by the river-side about half-a-mile from Melksham church; and in the same year I heard, on reliable authority, of another at a spot between Shaw and Broughton Gifford. I had imagined these creatures were extinct hereabouts; what is the experience of other observers?

My late father has often told me that sixty years ago polecats were fairly common in Melksham neighbourhood, but I have neither seen nor heard of one until the occasion first named. In this case, in company with others, I disturbed the animal in some tussocky grass, within a few feet of the river bank; it dashed at great speed along a rat-run a few inches above the water-line, and turned up a dry ditch, where it disappeared, after being under observation over a space of thirty or forty yards.

What is the meaning of the word "polecat"? The *Encyclopædia Britannica* does not know. Is it "Pool-cat", the cat that haunts the pools? I am told in Chambers' *Etymological Dictionary* that the word "pool" may be traced to A.-S. Pól, or Celt. Poll or Pwl. Can any of your readers, from a knowledge of the habits of this animal, say whether this etymology fits the facts?

In conclusion let me say that I am well aware that a "polecat" is not a "cat" at all, but a relation of the stoat and weasel, both of which are common enough within my sphere of observation.

T. G. J. H.

Melksham.

Queries.

Funeral Garlands.—In Stockton Church formerly hung the remains of a "funeral garland", consisting of a piece of iron frame work, with some fragments of faded ribbon depending from it. The old custom of carrying a garland of this description before the corpse of a young unmarried woman, and afterwards suspending it in the church, is said to have long since fallen into disuse in this neighbourhood, but in this instance it was revived at the particular request of a parishioner, who was buried about the year 1800. Is anything known of the custom in other Wiltshire parishes?

SCRIBA.

Eyre Family.—Who was Richard Eyre, Mayor of Salisbury, who died and was buried in St. Thomas', Salisbury, in 1685? I cannot find him noted in any pedigrees of the Eyre family?

I should also be glad to obtain information about the pedigree of Sir James Eyre, Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in 1793.

He was son of Thomas Eyre, Chancellor of Wells. Hoare, though mentioning him as a famous Eyre lawyer, passes over his pedigree completely, whilst Foss, in his *Judges of England*, simply states, "born no doubt of the eldest branch of the family."

A. S. HARTIGAN.

Bromham.

Richard Hewse.—In the September number of *The Connoisseur*, in an article entitled "Some Cromwellian Relics", mention is made of a lock and two keys—a good illustration is given—of fine and elaborate workmanship, which the Protector

carried about with him, and placed upon his bedroom door, wherever he slept; it is in the possession of Mr. Charles Berners, of Woolverstone Park, Ipswich, a descendant of Mrs. Claypole, Cromwell's daughter. It is beautiful both in design and execution, and apart from its history, is a very interesting specimen of the excellent metalwork of the period. It bears the inscription, "Richard Hewse, of Wootton Bassett, in Com. Wilts, fecit". Who was he, and is any more of his work known?

H. D.

Early mention of Marlborough.—In his *History of Marlborough*, 1854, Waylen, speaking of various spellings of this place-name, says:—"Hovdenus 1204, Knighton 1395, and the Venerable Bede in 730 have *Merleberge*, though Bede also uses *Marleberge*" (p. 18).

Waylen was sadly remiss as to giving precise references to his authorities, and I am at a loss to find these passages in the works of Bede. Can any reader of *Wilts. N. & Q.* kindly supply me with references?

CHR. WORDSWORTH.

St. Peter's Rectory, Marlborough.

Meares.—Our memoirs tell of a John de la Meare, of Whitbourne, in Corsley, born about 1560—the name seems to have been changed to Meares. His son Robert sailed in the *Abagail* in 1635, and settled at Dorchester, now part of Boston, Mass., where his descendants now are doing well.

Another son, Lewis, born about 1625, came to Ireland with Oliver Cromwell, where he got a grant of land and a castle (part of which forms a portion of the house in possession of the family ever since, and in which I now reside). The parish registers of Corsley begin in 1686, and give dates of Births and

Burials to 31 May 1880, this last being the burial of Peter Guillbaut Meares, who died in Bath, and was buried at Corsley. This is the last information I have been able to get at Bath or Corsley, except what is on the monuments there. I shall be much obliged for any information concerning this family.

W. Devenish Meares,
(Major-General).

Meares Court, Mullingar.

Replies.

Dickens' Topography—F. C. Kitton.—We regret to report the death of our correspondent, after a painful operation, at the age of 48. He was the unquestioned leading authority on all matters appertaining to Dickens' lore, a subject always dearest to his heart. No point in bibliography was too abstruse for him, no biographical detail too insignificant. Without any need to refer to his books, he could immediately answer any question about the life and work of "Boz", and it was characteristic of him that his voluminous knowledge was always placed unreservedly at the service of others.

His books were many in number, and all had reference to Dickens. At the time of his death he was deeply engaged in editing the monumental "Autograph Edition *de luxe* of *Dickens' Complete Works*," which Mr. Sproule, of New York, is bringing out in conjunction with Messrs. Chapman and Hall, at a price of £120, we believe, to the subscribers.

Wiltshire Briefs.—Anyone interested in Briefs should obtain Mr. Bewes' book entitled *Church Briefs* (Adam and

Charles Black, London, 1896), where much information is collected concerning them.

From this source all the entries given on p. 460 can be identified and references given. The seventh line should read *Southwold.* The Brief for the Lithuanian Protestants was one of many collected for the sufferers in foreign lands.

The Proclamation for Fishing was a collection made to increase the number of boats engaged in the herring fishery. The Earl of Pembroke was appointed treasurer, and Pepys in his Diary, 7 July 1664, says "the company generally so ill fitted for so serious a work, that I do fear it will come to little."

The other briefs mentioned are mostly for repairing or restoring churches destroyed by fire.

I believe Mr. Bewes is always glad to receive notices of briefs taken from Parish Registers and other sources.

E. A. Fry.

172, *Edmund Street, Birmingham.*

Funeral Armour in Wiltshire Churches (vol. iv, p. 468). The armour in Mere Church was removed to the hall of Zeal's House at the time of the so-called "Restoration" of the Church by Wyatt in 1855-6; what remains of it, viz.: two helmets and one gauntlet, was replaced in the Chapel in 1892; one gauntlet was missing, but I do not recollect a sword. There are several old swords in the hall, but none so early as the fifteenth century. Armorial glass was also replaced in the Chapel at the same time.

G. Troyte Chafyn Grove.

Wishford Church.—Hoare states that Sir Richard Grobham's banner, sword, helmet and crest are suspended over the east window.

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Notes on Books.

THE ANCESTOR, A QUARTERLY REVIEW OF COUNTY AND FAMILY HISTORY, HERALDRY AND ANTIQUITIES. Edited by OSWALD BARRON, F.S.A., Nos. 8 and 9. Archibald Constable & Co., Ltd., 2, Whitehall Gardens, Westminster, S.W.

In these Notes we shall only refer to such Wiltshire matters as are contained in these two handsome and erudite volumes, which, together with the other numbers of *The Ancestor*, reflect such credit on the Editor and Publishers.

In the account of the family of the famous Angelo[1] we find that in 1754 Lord Pembroke, then under age,

> started a private *manége* of his own . . . . close to his seat of Wilton, and Angelo became his *écuyer* . . . . he becoming the latter's disciple . . . . he persuaded Angelo to take a house at Wilton, and to undertake the training of a select number of riding instructors from the regiment . . . . Philip Astley, afterwards to be so famous for his riding in his own amphitheatre, was one of the troopers under Angelo's training at Wilton.

The following sealed the famous Letter of the Barons[2] to the Pope in 1300-1 :—

Simon of Montagu (ancestor of Earls of Salisbury)—*a fess indented of three fusils.*

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[1] His surname was Tetramondo, and Lord Pembroke was one of those who persuaded him to use his Christian name instead.

[2] There are two MSS. of this letter, both with seals of their own, and both formerly preserved in the Chapter House at Westminster. It was not until last year that its admissibility in evidence, as proof of sitting, came definitely before the House of Lords. It is not known whether it was ever actually sent to Rome. Some at least of the seals were not affixed at the sitting of the Lincoln Parliament, one of them a month afterwards; the value of its evidence as proof of sitting is thereby gravely affected. *See* No. 6 of *The Ancestor*, p. 185, *et seq.*

John of Havering, Lord of Grafton,[1] Constable of Devizes—*a lion with forked tail.*

Eustace of Hache—*a cross engrailed.*

Thomas de la Roche—*three roach swimming.*

From *Early Chancery Proceedings* "Exul" gives some interesting Hungerford notes, in his identification of Margaret, daughter of John St. Leger, widow of John, Lord Clinton, who married Walter, grandson of the first Lord Hungerford.

The Rev. E. E. Dorling contributes a short article, with two beautiful illustrations, on some glass, containing Nevill and Montacute arms, now in the Hall of John Hall at Salisbury; he gives an ingenious reason for their being placed there. He also supplies a short note on some fifteenth century arms in our Cathedral.

Some extracts are given from one of the valuable volumes preserved in the Salisbury Cathedral muniment room, kept by one John Machon, 1467-1475; he often notes the deaths of those connected with the Cathedral, sometimes giving their epitaphs (all now perished), and in some cases set out their wills in full, we give one example :—

A.D. 1470 begins. Epitaph of Master Andrew Holes,[2] Chancellor of Salisbury.

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[1] Son of Richard de Havering, of Stanbridge, co. Hants, of which county he was Sheriff, 1329, since when nothing more is known of him. He had a grant of the manor of Grafton, co. Northampton, 1271-2.

[2] He was the third son of Sir Hugh Hulse, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, LL.D., Dean of St. Paul's, Archdeacon of Richmond, Canon of York and Lincoln, Chancellor of Salisbury. *Vis. of Berks*, 1566, *sub* HULSE, of Sutton Courteney. He left legacies to York and Wells Cathedrals; he had also a chantry in our Cathedral, for one chaplain, £7 6*s.* 8*d. per ann.*; 40 shillings was also payable for an *obit* by the Warden and Fellows of Winchester. *Wilts Arch. Mag.*, xii, 371, and Jones' *Fasti Sarish.* According to Kirby's *Winchester Scholars*, he was entered at Winchester, 1407, as of Bromston, Cheshire, a scholar of New College, and a Fellow (1414-20), Rector of Odiham, Canon of Southwell, Lichfield and Hereford.

Sub pede effigici,
Quamuis putrescam dando me vermibus escam
Rursus carne meum credo videre deum.
Ad et circa ymaginem.

Hic iacet corpus magistri Andree Holes decretorum doctor quondam Cancellarii et Residenciarii ecclesie Saresbiriensis Archidiaconique Eboracensis et Wellensis . . . . qui per annos plures Procuratoris Regis Anglie in Romana Curia fungebatur officio et post suum a dicta Curiam in Angliam redditum ad custodiam priuati sigilli Regii assumptus, post exercitium illius officii quasi per triennium ad residenciam in dicta ecclesia prius tacta reuersus est. Qui abiit die Primo mensis Aprilis Anno Domini Millesimo CCCC^mo. LXX^mo. *Cuius anima in pace requiescat. Amen.* From an entry in Machon's Register (f. xviii), it appears that Holes died in his house in the Close, called Ledenhalle (it still bears the same name), and was buried in the chapel of St. Mary Magdalen, which was in the northern bay of the south-east transept; there is a portrait of him in the MS. *Life of William of Wykeham* at New College.

In a *Genealogist's Kalendar* is a "Bill (15 May 1633), of Geo. Grobham, one of the exors. of Sir Richard Grobham, kt., dec.,[1] by John Grobham, of Bromfeild, his father and guardian. Answer and demurrer ( ) of Sir John St. John, Bart., Dame Margaret, his wife, John Howe and George Howe, gen., and exors. of Sir Richard Grobham, giving this bit of pedigree, "Sir Richard Grobham, of Great Wishford, ob. 5 July, 5 Car. I, mar. Margaret, who afterwards mar. Sir John St. John, 23 Oct., in the following year." Another Bill (9 July 1633), of John Gilmore, jr., of Ford, yeoman, against John Gilmore, his father,

[1] Steward to Sir Thomas Gorges, of Longford Castle, and amassed a fortune, *see* the curious story of treasure hidden in the hull of a Spanish galleon; he died 1629, *æt.* 78, and has a fine monument in Wishford Church, with effigies of himself in armour, and his wife (*née* Whitmore) enveloped in a long black cloak, lying under a canopy; *see* also a Latin inscription to her memory in the St. John aisle of Lydiard Tregoz; where was she buried? Sir Richard founded at Wishford an Almshouse for four poor men. His sister Joan was his heir, and married John Howe (whence the Lords Howe and Chadworth); their grandson, Richard Grobham Howe, has a monument in Wishford Church, dying 1703, *æt.* 82; he married 1st, Lucy, 3rd dau. of Sir John St. John, of Lydiard Tragoz. *See* pedigree of GROBHAM in Hoare's *Modern Wilts*, and additional pedigrees attached to Metcalfe's *Visitation of Wilts*, 1565.

and Thomas Newbery, concerning a marriage settlement, giving this pedigree, "John Gilmore has an elder son John, who mar. a sister of William Rutland, gen. (settlement dated 6 Sept., 19 Jac. I), who have a dau. Joan; John senr. has a younger son Joseph, who lives with him as his husbandman."

Mr. Horace Round supplements his former paper on "Giffard of Fonthill Giffard" with one on "Cumin of Snitterfield." He also sends a short letter with an extract from Lord Arundell of Wardour's patent of Countship of the Holy Roman Empire, with reference to the descendants of such Counts. Of a "Westbury Cup, an Ancient Scandal," we learn nothing further than what appeared in *Wilts N. & Q.*, vol. iii, 44, except that it was sold by the Vicar and Churchwardens of Westbury about 1845, and is now the property of Sir J. C. Robinson, the writer of the article. This Cup was exhibited at Devizes during the Wilts Archæological meeting of 1903. By the kindness of the Editor we are allowed to reproduce his illustration from a tracing by Mr. Kite.

Dictionary of National Biography. Errata. London: Smith, Elder & Co., 15, Waterloo Place, 1904.

The above volume, consisting of 300 pages and containing corrections of errors which have crept into the *Dictionary*, has now been presented free to the subscribers; it forms a very valuable appendix to a very valuable work.

The writer is the happy possessor of a copy through the kindness of the Editor and Publishers. He is pleased to record that the burial place of Bishop Edington, and the parentage of Judge Nicholas are now correctly given. In some cases fresh matter has been supplied, *e.g.*, mention of Archbishop Stafford's mother Emma's monument and burial at North Bradley, and her connexion with Holy Trinity Priory, Canterbury. As to the Archbishop himself:—

In that case (illegitimacy) a papal dispensation *propter defectum natus* would be required before he could be ordained priest. At present, search in the Vatican Records has only revealed at the requisite period a papal dispensation, 17 March 1403, which entitled John Stafford, clerk of the diocese of Lincoln, who was then in or about his fourteenth year, to hold a benefice (*Lateran Register*, cviii, f. 79b). Whether he was the future Archbishop is uncertain. If so, he was born about 1389. In 1408, his father, Sir Humphrey, presented him to the living of Farnborough,[1] Somerset, a fact which might suggest an earlier date of birth.

COMPLETE PEERAGE OF ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, IRELAND, GREAT BRITAIN, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM, EXTANT, EXTINCT, OR DORMANT; alphabetically arranged, and edited by G. E. C. Eight volumes. London: George Bell & Sons, York Street, Covent Garden; William Pollard & Co., North Street, Exeter, 1887-1898.

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TRAFALGAR.—*See* NELSON.

TREGOZ of Highworth.—*See* GRANDISON.

TROWBRIDGE.—*See* SEYMOUR.

WARDOUR.—*See* ARUNDELL.

WARMINSTER.—*See* WEYMOUTH.

WESTBURY.—Richard, eldest son of Richard Bethell, M.D., of Bristol, by Jane, dau. of . . . Baverstock, born at Bradford-on-Avon, 1800; fellow of Wadham Coll.; M.P. for Aylesbury (1831-9), and for Wolverhampton (1839-61); knighted when Solicitor-General, 1852; P.C. 1861; Lord Chancellor 1861, when cr. Baron Westbury; died 1873;[2] his grandson Richard is the present Baron, born in 1852.

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[1] This, according to Weaver's *Somerset Incumbents*, he held until 1415.

[2] The death of his old antagonist in the House of Lords, Samuel Wilberforce, Bishop of Winchester, took place the day before, viz., 19 July. He was a zealous reformer of legal abuses; he is, however, better known for his great power of sarcasm, which his urbane manner of delivery greatly enhanced.

WEYMOUTH.—Sir Thomas Thynne,[1] Bart., of Longleat, eldest son of Sir Henry Frederick Thynne, 1st Bart. (1641), of Kempsford, co. Gloucester, and of Caus Castle, co. Salop, by Mary, dau. of the 1st Lord Coventry, born about 1640; M.P. for Univ. of Oxford (1674-9), and for Tamworth (1679-81); suc. his cousin, Thomas Thynne[2] (well known as "Tom of ten thousand", who was murdered in his coach in Pall Mall (M.I. in Westminster Abbey), in the estates of Longleat; cr. Baron Thynne of Warminster, and Viscount Weymouth, 1682; P.C., 1702; suc. by his great nephew, Thomas, 1714, æt. 4; died at Longleat, 1750, and was bur. at Horningsham; "though not a non-juror, did himself honour by offering to the most virtuous of the non-jurors (Ken) a tranquil and dignified asylum in the princely mansion of Longleat"; suc. by his son, Thomas, born 1734; Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, 1765; P.C., 1765; twice Secretary of State; K.G., 1778; cr. Marquess of Bath,[3] 1789; from him descended the late Marquess, who, 1858, was Envoy-extraordinary, with the Garter, to the King of Portugal, and again in 1867 to the Emperor of Austria; Colonel of the Wilts Yeomanry; died in 1896; suc. by his eldest son, Thomas Henry: Residence, Longleat.

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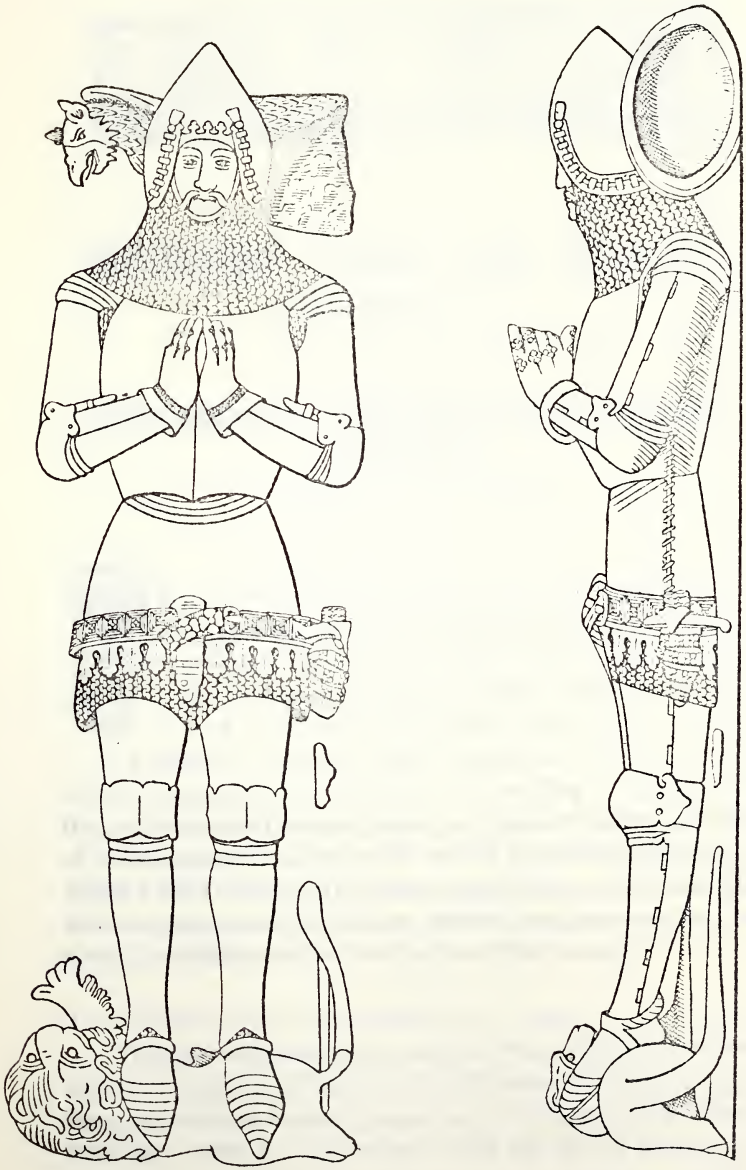
[1] An elaborate account of the family is in *Stemmata Botevilliana*, also *Top. and Gen.*, iii, 468, and an article in the *Genealogist*, N.S., xi, 163, entitled "The Origin of the Thynnes", referred to in *Wilts N. & Q.*, iii, 143.

[2] Great grandson of Sir John Thynne, founder of Longleat.

[3] By his mother he was a representative of the Granvilles, formerly Earls of Bath.

(*To be continued.*)



EFFIGY OF SIR JOHN DE MONTACUTE, KNT.,
IN SALISBURY CATHEDRAL.

E. K. del.

Wiltshire Notes and Queries,

DECEMBER, 1904.

SOME NOTES ON THE MONTACUTES, EARLS OF SALISBURY.

(*Continued from p.* 493.)

TO the former article on the descent of the Earldom [1337-1428] through the Montacute family, into that of Nevil, we may now add some further notes on the maternal ancestry of John de Montacute, third Earl, as shown in the pedigree on p. 493.

Of Edward I and his family, several members were more or less connected with Wiltshire. The King himself was a frequent visitor at Devizes Castle; his widowed mother and two of his daughters had taken the veil in Amesbury Monastery;[1] whilst a third daughter (to whom, apparently, a conventual life, and the seclusion of the cloister, offered less attraction) was for a while a resident within the Castle of Marlborough.

The Princess Joan Plantagenet, "of Acre".

The lady here referred to was the Princess Joan, fifth child and third daughter of Edward I and Eleanor of Castile, born at Acre, in Palestine, in the spring of 1272—the year of her father's accession—who, in 1290, when at the age of 18, became the

[1] See *Wilts N. & Q.*, vol. iii, pp. 148-150; *also* pedigree on p. 146.

second wife of Gilbert de Clare, seventh Earl of Gloucester and Hertford.[1]

De Clare, known as Rufus, or the Red Earl, was nearly thirty years her senior. He had fought on the Barons' side at Lewes, in 1264, under De Montfort, commanding the second line, and himself taking the surrender of Henry III, and his son Edward, after the battle. At Evesham, which, in the following year, restored the Royal party to its former power, we find the Red Earl again leading the second line, but now on the side of the King. In 1270 Earl Gilbert went with Prince Edward to the Crusades; and on Edward's return and accession, he and his queen were entertained by the Earl, for seven days, at his Castle of Tonbridge, co. Kent.

On his marriage with the Princess Joan, King Edward, her father, in order to secure his turbulent subject, made Gloucester give up to him all his possessions, including lands in Wiltshire, and twenty-two other counties, as well as in Wales—an immense estate—in order to re-settle them on Joan, and in default of his heirs, they were settled on her heirs by any other husband she might marry after his death. The Earl died within six years, in December 1295, his Wilts property at that time being Wexcombe manor, with the town of Great Bedwyn,[2] and the Hundred of Kinwardstone, worth together £54 14*s.* 4*d.* yearly, and held of the King in chief on payment of a rent of £32 into the Exchequer; also Knights' fees in Knook (near Heytesbury), Orcheston, Milston, Winterbourne Dauntesey, Ogbourne St. Andrew, Sharncote, and several other places in Wilts. *Inq. p. m.*, 24 *Edw. I, No.* 107.

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[1] Gloucester had previously married, in 1257, during his father's lifetime, Alice de Lusignan, niece of Henry III, from whom he was divorced. The agreement, dated 18 Jan. 1252-3, by which Earl Richard de Clare, the father, granted the marriage of Gilbert, his son and heir, for 5,000 marks, will be found fully noticed in *The Genealogist*, N.S., vol. xxi, p. 80-81.

[2] Bedwyn was included 47 Henry III (1262) in the dower of the Earl's Mother, Maud de Lacy, eldest daughter of the Earl of Lincoln, She died *circa* 1290, when her dower lands came into her son's possession.

By the Princess Joan, Earl Gilbert had a son, of the same name, born 1291, and three daughters. The former fell at the Battle of Bannockburn, in 1314, and thus ended the male line of the De Clares.

Soon after the Earl's death, Joan clandestinely married Ralph de Monthermer, an esquire of her late husband's household. The marriage seems to have taken place in January 1297, but must have been unknown to her father on the 16th March following, when Edward assented to a proposal for marrying her to Amadæus, Earl of Savoy.[1] The King was greatly incensed. He imprisoned Monthermer, and seized his daughter's lands, and it needed all the persuasion of Anthony de Bek, the famous Bishop of Durham,[2] to bring about a reconciliation. Joan was allowed to reside quietly in Marlborough Castle,[3] where she gave birth to a daughter, and in due course the marriage was recognised. Monthermer proved a gallant soldier, and rose high in the King's favour. He had livery of the estates, and, in right of his wife, was summoned to Parliament as Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, under which title, in 1301, he signed the Barons' letter to Pope Boniface VIII.[4]

The Princess Joan died at Clare 23 April 1307, at the age of 35,[5] and was buried in the Church of the Augustinians there,

[1] She was at this time under the care of Marc de Harley, who was to provide her with reasonable sustenance.

[2] Bishop of Durham 1283-1311, and Patriarch of Jerusalem. He had a grant of the Principality of the Isle of Man, and was one of the King's executors.

[3] Marlborough Castle, part of the dowry of Eleanor of Bretagne, widow of Henry III, had, on her death, in 1291, been bestowed by Edward I on his own Queen. The temporary residence of their daughter Joan within the Castle appears to have escaped the notice of the historian of Marlborough.

[4] His seal and counterseal attached to this document are figured in *The Ancestor*, No. 6, p. 190.

[5] Mrs. Green, in *Lives of English Princesses*, vol. iii, describes her as extravagant, and, "notwithstanding her large income, sometimes greatly straitened for ready cash". This seems to be borne out by a document in the Public Record Office, in which Juliane, widow of William Everard, a London goldsmith, entreats the King, "prince of pity", to take mercy on

her brother, Edward II, and many magnates, attending her funeral. From an inquisition taken on her decease, it appears that she was seized jointly with De Clare, her first husband, of the Wiltshire manors of Heytesbury[1] and Burbage, besides that of Wexcombe, and the town of Great Bedwyn already mentioned. *Inq. p. m.*, 35 *Edw. I, No.* 47. The manor of Erlestoke was also given her by her father; after her death Monthermer obtained the reversion of the estate for their eldest son, through whose heiress it passed to Montacute.

Besides her daughter Mary, of Wiltshire birth, afterwards married to Duncan, Earl of Fife, the Princess Joan had also, by her second husband, two sons, Thomas and Edward, the latter of whom, born in April 1304, died without issue, after 1338, and was buried at Clare.

Thomas de Monthermer, Lord Monthermer.

Eldest son and heir, born 5 Oct. 1300 (Stow), 4 Oct. 1301 (Green's *Princesses*), was killed in naval battle. By his wife Margaret [Tiptoft] he had an only daughter, Margaret, born at Stoke Ham 11 Oct. 1329, who became the eventual heiress. She married before 1349.

Sir John de Montacute, Knt.

Second son of William, first Earl of Salisbury, and

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herself and her children. The Lady Joan, late Countess of Gloucester, had, she states, borrowed from her husband £206 6*s.* 4*d.* in money and jewels, as plainly set forth by indenture. He had besides paid to divers "merchants of strange lands" £60, by command of the said Lady, but was repaid nothing; in consequence whereof 20 marks of Juliane's heritage had been sold, their infants were disinherited and seeking bread, and three of them, as also their father, had died. Juliane therefore prays the King to have pity on herself and her seven remaining children "for God and the souls of his ancestors, so that the soul of the said good lady, whom God assoil, might be delivered from peril."

[1] Her keeper of the wardrobe was John de Bruges, parson of Heytesbury —"persona de Heghtred"— an ecclesiastic unknown to Sir R. C. Hoare, whose list of Heytesbury incumbents dates only from 1630.

Catherine [Grandison]. He served under Edward III in the Norman expedition of 1346, and was present at Cressy, and at the siege of Calais. In the autumn of 1347 he returned to England with the King, and was summoned to Parliament as Lord Montacute [1356-1389]. In 1372 he is mentioned in the King's fleet at sea in the retinue of his elder brother, the second Earl of Salisbury, and was present in the expedition to Scotland, undertaken by Richard II in 1385. He was a Knight Banneret, and was retained to serve the King in person, attended by another Banneret, five Knights and their esquires, sixty men at arms, and sixty archers. As Steward of the King's Household he was sent to conduct into England Ann of Bohemia, with whom Richard II had contracted marriage. His will, which is here printed for the first time *in extenso*, bears date 20 March 1388, and was proved 8 March 1390.[1] He bequeaths his body to be buried in Salisbury Cathedral, or, if he should die in London, then in St. Paul's Cathedral, near to the font wherein he was baptized; and desires that a black cloth of woollen be laid over his body, and about his hearse, the ground underneath to be spread with cloth of russet and white, of which every poor man attending his funeral should have enough to make him a coat and a hood. Five tapers, weighing 20 pounds each, and four morters, each of 10 pounds, to be placed about his hearse, and no painting thereon excepting one banner of the arms of England,[2] two of the arms of Montacute, and two of the arms of Monthermer, to be placed by the five tapers. Twenty-four poor men, clothed in white or russet, each to carry a torch. A plain tomb to be made, with the image of a knight thereon, and the arms of Montacute, having a helmet under the head. To his sons John and Thomas, two gilt pots with the arms of Sir John de Grandison; to his daughter Elianore a gilt cup of the best sort, and the

[1] Abstracts only have been given by Dugdale, and in Nicholas' *Test. Vet.*, p. 124.

[2] His wife Margaret was a great granddaughter of Edward I.

crown which his wife had in her custody, "la coronne qe ma compaigne ad en garde"; to his son Richard, and his daughters Sybill, Catherine, and Margaret, a cup and ewer each; to his said daughter Sybill, a nun, £20, and to the Prioress and Nuns at Amesbury £20 to pray for his soul; to his daughter Margaret, a nun, £20, and to the Abbess and Nuns of Barkyng £20 to pray for his soul; other bequests to Catherine his daughter, his wife, and the Countess of Sarum. To his sons, John and Richard, all his armour, spears, and swords, to be shared between them. He appoints, as executors, John, Thomas, and Richard, his sons, Walter Wydecombe, Sir Simon Kynge, parson of Warblyngton, Thomas Ascon, and Master Nicholas Braybroke.

Testamentum Johannis Montagu fratris Comitis Sarum.

[Lambeth Register, Courteney, f. 237.]

En le noun de pier et de filz et de seynt esperit Jeo Johan de Mountagu le xx iour de Marc' lan de grace mill'm ccc iiijxx viii vailaunt tamque ieo suy puissant et de memorie ordeigne ce que len ferra de moy et de mes biens apres mon deces et face mon testament en la maner sen suyt En primes ieo me recommaunkes humblement malme a dieux tout puissant et a sa benoyte mere Seynt Marie et a toux les seyntz de paradys requirerrant mercy de mes peches Et en quel part qe ie me lesse morrir ie elise sepulture de seint eglise pur mon corps cest assauoyr en le corps de la cathedral eglise de Salesbires entre deux pilers Et sil auiveigne que ie demys a lonndres voyle estre enseuyle a Seynt Paules a loundres entre deux pilers pres de fount qar la fu baptisez. Item ie deuise et ordeigne sur mon corps drap blank' de layne et entour ma herce et dedeynz ma herce et pur couerer la terre drap de Russet et blanc et destre done a pouers apres lenterrement cest assauer a checun pouer pur cote et chaproun. Item ie deuyse et ordeigne entour ma herce le iour de mon enterrement cynk cerges quarrees de cere et chescun de xx libre et quatre morters de cere chescun de x lib. Item ie deuise vint et quatre pouers estre vestuz en blank' on en Russet esteanntz entour la herce oue xxiiii torches de cere et qe entour le herce ne soit nul paynture forsque vne baner des armes dengleterre ij baners des armes de Mountagu et ij baners des armes de Moherm'er et mys par les v. cerges Et quune Toumbe soit fait a plus playn qe purra estre fait issint qil soit vn ymage de Chiualer paramount oue les armes de Mountagu et le healme susaunt de such le test. Item ie deuise que soit departi entre pouers en estlynges comme il semble a mes executours xv. lib. de money a temps de ma sepulture et qe la enterrement soit a plus brief que len purra et qe les coustages soynt faitz en le plus ease

maner que purra par nul voie estre par discrecion de mes executours et qe ne passe mye xl. iours qe la sepulture ne soit fait. Item ie deuise a Seint Marie Otterie a Gardeyn et ay ceux quy seront present et resident a pryer pur moy .xx lib. de money cest assauoir le plus graunt porcioun entre les plus pouers de la College. Item ie deuise a priour et couent de la Mesoun de brescellesham montagu xx li. a prier pur moi. Item ie deuise a quatre ordres de friers cest assauoir a Prechours Menours Augustines et Carmes a chescun ordre .xl.s a prier pur moy et ce a les quatre mesons qi le duissent auoyr de resoun la qe ie seray enseuyle. Item ie deuise a ma compaygne toutes les moebles vifz et mortz et instrumentz de husbandrie issint que ele lesse apres sa deces a noz droites heires tonx les moebles vifz et mortz et instrumentz queles ele auera a soun mouriaunt sanz vessayllement quaux money dor et dargent. Item ie deuise a ma compaigne la moite de ma vesselle blank' Item ie deuise a ma compaygne toutz les apparaillez de sale et Chaumbre issint qe ele departe de sales et littez a noz enfanntz selonc la discrecion de ma dicte compaigne a temps quaunt ele se lerra morir. Item ie deuise mes appurtenantez a ma Chapelle a ma compaigne pur demorer apres sa deces a moun filz Thomas syl ysoyt en vie a dunqes. Item ie deuise a ma compaigne ij hanaps oue les couercles de mes hanapes susorres oue le nouche et ayneux et boteneures qe serront trouez et solonc sa discrecionn departe a moun filz et file et qe est a marier quaunt temps vendra. Item hanapes oue vessaillement ou autre qe est pas deuise et soit a vendre soyent mys a prys et vendu a ma compaygne oue a mes filz oue filez. Item ie deuise a Richard moun filz moun lyt qe est a Loundres et les ornamentz dycelle et a moun filz Thomas tout le vessayllment de Cuc' sinoun vessaylle dargent et toutz autrez necessaries qe sount demeisnes a loundres et apurtenantz a la Cusine illeqes. Item ie deuise a moun filz Johan ou a qi qe serra moun heyre toutes les profites quelles purrount a venir a debte par voye de reconisaunce ou obligacioun a moy duhez le iour qe ie me lerra morir sur tiele condicioun qe sil ne face execucioun en son viuant demoerge a mez deux autrez filz Thomas et Richard sils soient en vie et si nulle execucioun ne soyt face par nulle de mes filz susnomeez demoerges a mes procheyns heyres Et qe qy soyt moun heyr face soun entent qe le statut marchaund faite par le Count de Saresbirs demoerge pur mesme l'entent come les couenaunts sount faitz et de recouerer le Manoyr de Eton come il trouera entaylle. Item ie deuise a moun filz Johan deux centz li. de money ou a soun eleccioun danoyr part de payment de vessaillement de la moite de blanc vessayllment nyent vnqore deuise. Item ie deuise a qy qe serra moun heire le anel oue rubye ensemblement oue vne rondel dargent susorre et j. conercle paramount en la forme come est ordene par mounsire Johan de Graundesoun Euesque iadyz dexestre come serra troue en soun testament. Item ie deuise a Thomas moun filz deux centz li. de money oue a soun eleccioun danoir part de payment de vessaillment de la moite de vessaillment nyent vnqore deuysez. Item ie deuise a Johan et a Thomas mes filz les ij poottz sussores qe sount merches des armes mounsire Johan de Graundesoun susdicte. Item ie deuise a ma file Elianore vne coupe susorre oue vne ewer de melhour qe soit. Item

ie deuise a Richard mon filz et a Sibile Katerine et Margarete mez filles a chescun de eux seueralment vne coupe et ewer. Item ie deuise a ma fille Elianore la coroune qe ma compaigne ad en garde. Item ie deuise a Syble ma fille nonaigne xx li. de money et a la prioresse et nonaignes de mesoun de Amesbires xx li. de money a prier pur moi. Item ie deuise a Margarete ma fille qi est nonaigne xx li. de money et a labesse et nonaignes de la meson de Berkynges xx li. de money a pryer pur moy. Item ie deuise a Katerine ma fille sil ne soit mye auaunce ne marie pur mariage et sustenaunce treys Centis li. de money et touz les perles qe serount trouez de meisne Item ie deuise a Richard mon filz moun Hostel qe iay en Hampton a luy et a ses heyres et assignez et pur soun mariage et auauncement treys centz li. de money et de vessaillement en la value d.xv li. de money. Item ie voyle et ordeygne qe si ascune de les deux cest assauer Richard et Katerine moun filz et fille soit auaunce ou deuye ou soyt en religioun qadonqe de la somme de money deuise soit retenuz du quele persone qe ce soyt en celle cas et soit distribut entre Thomas moun filz et le autre de les deux susditz qi demoert en vie et nyent auaunce. Item ie deuyse a la Countesse de Sarum j hanap on couercle susorre. Item ie deuise a Robert Houell x. marc' de money sil soit ou moy quaunt je me lerra morrir. Item ie deuise a Thomas Wyke v. mar' de money sur la condicioun de susdicte Robert. Item ie deuise a Wauter Meche x. mar' de money sur la condicioun de susdicte Robert et auxint ie voille qe mes executours facent rewarder a dit Wauter solonc la liuree de chateaux qe il ad en conissaunce et en garde. Item ie deuise a Adam moun Chamberlayne toutz mes Vestures sur mesme la condicioun de susdicte Robert. Item ie deuise a William Scot et a William Waylond a chescun de eux seueralment v. marcz de money sils soyent oue moy quaunt ie me lerra morrir. Item ie deuise a Johan Magges xl.s. de money sur la condicioun de susdicte Robert. Item ie deuise a Dauy Lantroun xl.s. de money sur tiel condicioun qe mes executours aient duhe respounce et accompt de luy et surce soyt seruy de moun deuys susdicte. Item ie deuyse et ordeygne qe si ascune de mes filz oue fille soyent auaunccz ou mariez oue en religioun professe qe adoumcqes le deux de treys Centz li. de money ou autre deuys de quel quil (?) soyt, soyt departe en encresse a yceux qi viuent et ne sount pas auauncez. Et en cas qascum des filz ou filles moergent qadonqes toutez choces a tiele persone deuyse et mort retournont et soient departez entre ceux qi sount en vie et auauncer et en mesme la forme quele choce qe sont deuyse a nulle autre persone et la persone soyt mort qadonqes le dite deuys demoerge a mes executours saunz paiement faire a les executours de mortz. Item ie deuyse et departere entre mes tenauntz de Stokeynham la somme de rent dun quart de an cest a sauoyr qe chescun ait pur le quarte a temps quaunt ie me lerra morrir taunt come deust estre payez a cele quart et si nulle y soyent pur age on pur defaute qi sount hors de lour tenementz et ount ew tenementz aient taunt de money solonc lafferaunt dautres, et en mesme la maner soyt fayt de Yalhampton, Pyworthe, Lantyan, Okforde, Erlestoke, Lanuer Bykenore, Hontoun et Warblyngtoun. Item ie deuise toutz lez residues de mes biens nyent deuises en oeures de charite et en encrees pur aider

acun de mes enfantz qi ne sount pas auauncez solonc la discrecioun de mes executours. Item ie ordeygne qe mes executours facent rewarder as autres seruauntez qi ne sount pas deuisez home ou femme qi sount demouraunt ou moy et one ma compaygne quaunt ie me lerra morrir solonc ce qe le temps qe ad deseruy et a la discrecioun de mes executours. Item ie deuise a Wanter Wydecombe vne hanape ou couercle blank et C.s. de money pur estre mon executour et sil refuse la ministracioun qe la money soyt retenuz. Item ie deuise a Meistre Michel Braybrok vne hanape oue couercle de blank et C.s. de money en cas qil voylle estre mon executour et luy requere qil soyt aydaunt a ce qil purra qe mes executours ne soient rien charge de les sexies moun sire Johan de Grandesoun, iadys euesque Dexestre issint come serra troue toutes charges de recettes et liueres en escript en vn papir la greyndre partye escript de ma mayn propre a deliuerer la come piert par soun testament et ce qe nest pas deliuere ou deust estre outre mayns soyt fayt come Meystre Mychel voelt ordeyner. Item ie deuyse a mes filz Johan et Richard touts mes armures esperes et coteux a departier entre eux Et deperformer cest ma darreyn volunte Je ordeygne et face mes executours cest assauoir moun filz Johan moun filz Thomas, moun filz Richard Wanter Wydecombe sire Symond Kynge persoun de Warbl' Thomas Ascon et Meystre Nichol [*sic*] Braybrok qiles voylent ma dicte volunte et deuys payer et performer solonc ce qils purrount sour lour bone ayde mettre et a fayre. A quelx choces dieur lour soyt en ayde Et qe ceste ma darreyn volunte soyt le plus conus iay fayt moun testament enseale de moun seal propre et apres qe ce suy enseuyles si tieles sommes de money ne soyent trouez soyent les deuys de checun persone rebatuz solonc lafferaunt. Escripte de ma mayn propre lez an et iour susditz.

[Proved at Croydon, 8 March A.D. 1390. Administration granted to Master Thomas de Montacute, Dean of Sarum, and Nicholas Braybroke, with power to commit it to the other executors reserved.]

Sir John died in February 1390, and was buried at Salisbury,[1] where his younger son, Thomas, was at that time Dean. His tomb—one of the most interesting of the monuments in the Cathedral[2]—is described, in 1635, as being "in

[1] Canon Benham, so well known as "Peter Lombard", of *The Church Times*, is therefore wrong when he says in his *Old St. Paul's Cathedral*, p. 13, quoting the passage on this point in the will, "Here, too, was the font, by which was the monument of Sir John Montacute."

[2] For some valuable notes, with illustrations of the tomb, and its heraldry, *see* a paper by the Rev. E. E. Dorling in *The Ancestor*, No. 6 (July 1903), pp. 46-8.

the entring of the Lady Chapel, on the left hand".[1] It was removed during Wyatt's alterations, in 1789-90, and re-erected on the stone bench under one of the arches of the arcade between the nave and north aisle. Three of its sides only bear the original ornamentation, viz., canopied niches, alternating with quatrefoiled panels, each of the latter enclosing a shield of arms. The fourth side, towards the aisle, which may previously have stood against a wall, was, on its removal by Wyatt, made up with pieces of later stone carving from the Beauchamp Chapel, which he had at the same time destroyed.

The shields, six in number, bear the following arms :—

West end.—Three legs conjoined in triangle—for the Principality of the ISLE OF MAN; quartering *three fusils in fess*—MONTACUTE; for William, second Earl of Salisbury, then Head of the House.

East end.—Three fusils in fess, within a plain bordure—the latter apparently borne as a mark of cadency for MONTACUTE of the second House.[2]

South side.—1. Three fusils within a plain bordure—MONTACUTE; impaling, *an eagle displayed*—MONTHERMER; for Sir John de Montacute, Knt. (younger brother of William, second Earl), here entombed.

2. MONTACUTE, *within a plain bordure*, as No. 1, carved also for impalement, but the sinister half of the shield blank.[3]

3. MONTACUTE, *within a bordure engrailed;* quartering MONTHERMER; for John de Montacute, son of No. 1, who, seven years after his father's death, succeeded his uncle as third Earl.

4. A blank shield, marked with a central upright line, as if intended for impalement.

The bold effigy of the Knight is represented in the all but complete armour worn during the latter part of the reign

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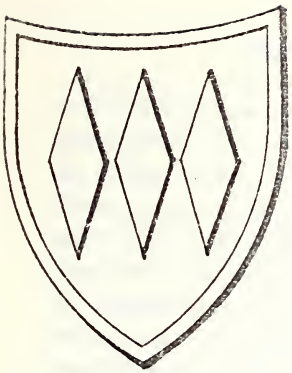
[1] Leland, writing a century earlier (1540) says :—"Ther lyith under an arche on the north side of our lady, two noblemen of the Longespée," probably mistaken by him for Earl William Longespée (1226), and Sir John de Montacute (1390), both of whose tombs were on the north side of the Lady Chapel.

[2] This much earlier occurrence of the *bordure* at once seems to negative the conjecture of Mr. Anstis that it denotes a supposed descent of the present Montagus from a natural son of Thomas, fourth Earl of Salisbury. *See Complete Peerage*, vol. v, p. 206.

[3] This seems to suggest a third brother of the second Earl, either at that time unmarried, or whose wife's arms were doubtful.



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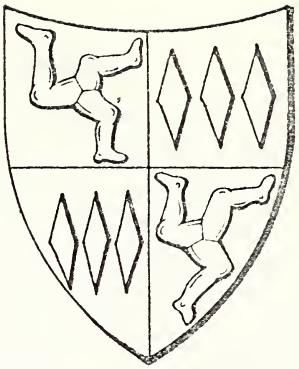

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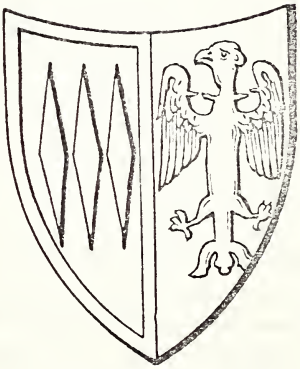

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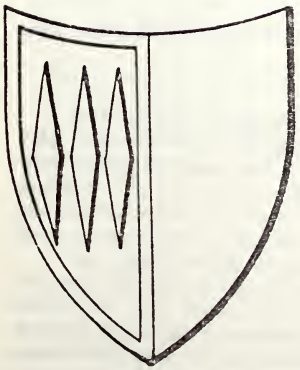

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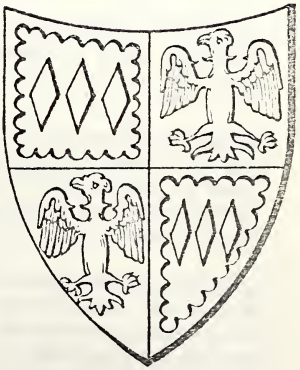

Montacute and Monthermer.

ARMS FROM THE TOMB OF SIR JOHN MONTACUTE, KNT.,
IN SALISBURY CATHEDRAL.

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of Edward III, and those of Richard II and Henry IV. It is nearly seven feet in length, and at once reminds us of that of the Black Prince, within the Chapel of the Holy Trinity, in Canterbury Cathedral.[1] On the head is the pointed bascinet, which was frequently worn in battle, with a removable vizor, the crested heaume, or tilting helm (which the Knight willed to be represented beneath his head) being reserved for the tournament. The next piece of chain, known as the camail, was fastened by a cord passing through rings round the edge of the bascinet, and spread over the shoulders. The close fitting jupon, which succeeded the loose surcoat of an earlier period, is encircled by the splendid military belt, and terminates in a rich escalloped edging, which just allows the chain hauberte to be seen below it; and, what is especially interesting, over the person is a breastplate, connected, of course, with a back-plate, a fashion of which we do not possess many examples. The arms, legs, and feet, are all protected by pieces of plate called brassarts, cuishes, jambs, and sollerets. The gauntlets are apparently of plate, with gads or small spikes on the knuckles. The tilting helm bears the crest of a demi-griffin; and the now broken sword shows the belt twisted around the hilt, and part of the scabbard; the feet rest on a lion.[2]

Both tomb and effigy must have been richly coloured and gilt, some slight traces of which yet remain.[3] Capt. Symonds,

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[1] Both William, second Earl of Salisbury, and his younger brother, Sir John de Montacute, had fought with the Black Prince at Cressy. The Earl, when young, had been contracted in marriage to "the fair Maid of Kent", and both lived to see her successively the widow of Sir Thomas Holand, and the Black Prince (their former companion in arms), and her son by the latter, on the throne of England, as Richard II.

[2] *See* a paper on the *Monumental Sculpture of the Cathedral*, read at the Salisbury Meeting of the British Archæological Association, Aug. 1858, by the late Mr. J. R. Planché, *Somerset Herald*. The writer was present at this meeting, when, from the arms of Montacute and Monthermer, borne *quarterly* on one of its panels, Mr. Planché was inclined to refer the tomb and effigy to *the son* and *not the husband* of the Monthermer heiress.

[3] Stothard, in his *Monumental Effigies* (1817), plate 94, gives a reduced sketch of the figure as he imagines it was originally painted.

a Royalist officer, who visited the Cathedral in 1644, notes in his Diary (*Harl. MS.*, 939) that on the breastplate of the armour was then to be seen, painted in colours, the *fusils* of MONTACUTE, and *eagle* of MONTHERMER, *borne quarterly*.[1]

By his wife Margaret, the heiress of Monthermer, who survived him, Sir John had issue four sons and three daughters.

John, the eldest son, succeeded to the Earldom of Salisbury on the death of his uncle (the second Earl) in 1397 (*see* p. 488).

Richard, to whom his father bequeathed half of his armour and weapons, was apparently also bred to the wars. He was knighted, and living in 1428.

Thomas became Dean of Salisbury in 1382. He made profession of canonical obedience 19 Nov. 1388, and in 1390, the year of his father's death, was engaged in a dispute which arose between the Bishop [John de Waltham] and the Dean and Chapter, respecting the right of the former to visit the Cathedral; and a "composition", confirmed by Pope Boniface IX, in 1392, settled all matters in dispute. *See* Jones' *Fasti*, pp. 212, 315. By his will, dated 6 May 1404, he desires burial at the foot of his father's tomb in the Lady Chapel of Salisbury Cathedral. To the altar of St. John, close by, he bequeaths vestments, plate, and a missal. Two tapers of 24 pounds to be placed, one at his head, the other at his feet, on the day of his burial, and a marble stone inscribed with the text, *I believe that my Redeemer liveth*, &c., to be laid over his body. Bequests to the Friars Minor of Sarum, and the Friars Preachers of Fisherton. To the churches of Heytesbury, Knook, Mere, &c., plate and vestments. The following is an exact copy:—

THE WILL OF THOMAS MOUNTAGU, DEAN OF SARUM.
[P.C.C. 7 Marche.]

In nomine Domini nostri ihesu Christi filii gloriosissime virgine marie cum sancto spiritu in gloria dei patris amen. Ego Thomas

[1] If this were the original colouring, it would appear that, at this date, the arms of an heiress were borne either *impaled* or *quarterly* with those of her husband. Perhaps some of our readers may be able to refer us to other examples of this usage.

Mountagu decanus ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum sanus gracia dei mente condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis lego animam meam omni potenti deo meo et omnium creatori et gloriosissime virgine marie, beato Michaeli Archangelo beatis apostolis petro et paulo et sancto Andree patronis meis et omnibus sanctis corpusque meum sepeliendum ad pedem lateris tumbi domini Johanni Mountagu quondam patris mei in ymo in parte interiore infra capellam beate marie ecclesie Cathedralis Sarum Et volo quod die sepulture mee nulle fiant expense in luminaribus preterquam quod duo duntaxat ordinentur cerei ponderis viginti quatuor librarum quorum vnus ad caput alter ponatur ad pedes, et volo duntaxat habere lapidem marmoreum super me positum absque aliquo opere latomi vel cuiuscunque alterius metalli et volo quod in medio dicti lapidis in quodam quadro sculpatur ista racio—Credo quod redemptor meus viuit et in nouissimo die de terra surrecturus sum et in carne meo videbo deum saluatorem meum quem visurus sim ego ipse et occuli mei conspecturi sunt et non alius reposita est hec spes mea in sinu meo. Volo eciam quod sumptus pomposi et vani ymmo reprobi qui ob laudam seculi in aliorum obsequiis fieri solent nullo modo fiant in obsequiis meis sed ad vorum certum secundum disposicionem executorum meorum taxentur et pecunia illa decrepitis et aliis personis egentibus in quibus eorum discrecio falli non distribuatur vbi et quibus voluerint et vbi magis viderunt necesse precipuo parochianis ecclesiarum et capellarum dignitati mee annexarum et ecclesiarum de Cheddesey et Stokenham. Item lego cuilibet canonico in dictis exequiis meus cum missa in crastino interessenti sex solidos et octo denarios Ita tamen si exequiis meis et missa in crastino in seruicio diuino ab incepcione eiusdem usque ad finem completum interuit et a colloquiis mutuis se abstinuerint et canonicus caractare sacerdotali insignitus missam ipso die pro anima mea celebrauerit et collectam specialem habuerit si per infirmitatem corporis impeditus non fuerit. Alioquin medietate cureat Item lego ciulibet vicario tres solidos et quatuor denarios Ita tamen si exequiis meis et missam crastino in seruicio diuino ab incepcione eiusdem vsque ad finem completum interfuerit et vicarius caractare sacerdotali insignitus missam ipso die celebrauerit et collectam specialem habuerit pro amina mea si per infirmitatem corporis impeditus non fuerit et ceteri vicarii inferioris ordinis psalterium integrum dicunt. Alioquin duodecimi denarios duntaxat percipiant. Item lego cuilibet Cappelano Cantariarum et aliis infra ecclesiam Cathedralem celebrantibus et collectam specialem pro anima mea habentibus duos solidos. Item cuilibet choriste duos solidos. Item cuilibet sacriste duodecim denarios. Item cuilibet altariste vj*d*. Item lego domino Willelmo Bukke vicario meo ibidem meliorem habitum meum integrum quem voluerit habere de omnibus. Item lego fratribus minoribus Sarum quadraginta solidos. Item lego fratribus predicatoribus de Fysherton iuxta Sarum viginti solidos. Item lego fratri Johanni Mountagu quadraginta solidos. Item lego domine mee Amice Comitisse Sarum ciphum meum deauratum poncionatum cum rosis. Item lego Margarete sorori mee Moniali de Berkynge lectum meum rubeum de cerico broudatum cum armis meis vnum ciphum argenteum deauratum videlicet trefoill' et decem libras.

Item volo quod reuersio hospicii mei de Hampton vendatur et pecunia reponatur in Thesaurario Ecclesie Sarum ad inueniendum vnum capellanum continue celebrantem quam diu dicta pecunia poterit durare percipiendo annuatim quadraginta solidos. Et volo et ordino quod Capellanus celebraturus quamdiu vixero per me nominandus sit perpetuus quamdiu bene vite et honeste conuersacionis existit alias pro placito remouendus post decessum meum per Capitulum preficiatur quociens vacauerit eciam quod nominandus vel preficiendus per Capitulum sit perpetuus et de vicariis duntaxat alias cantarias infra vel extra ecclesiam seu beneficium aliud quodcunque non habentibus qui sit de senioribus qui in ecclesiam melius laborauerint et seruicium suum melius sciuerint ac vite honestioris et virtuose nec aliquum de lapsu carnis deprehensi conuicti vel diffamati quoquomodo extiterint quod ei forte contingat quod absit, quod vicarius per capitulum sit nominatus de lapsu carius fuerit conuictus et post primam et vnicam correpcionem et correccionem decani, seu eius locum tenentis vel presidentis capitulo passus fuerit residuum quod tunc penitus a dicta Cantaria Ammoueatur et alius prout supra scribitur vicarius loco suo substituatur. Item lego Johanni Trypan si mecum fuerit tempore mortis mee omnes vestes meas vsuales furratas et non furratas. Item lego altari sancti Johannis in ecclesia Sarum iuxta quod dominus meus pater sepultus existit vnum apparatum album broudatum cum albo vestimento eiusdem secte ac vno vestimento viridi cum armis domini mei patrie et calicem vnum deauratum cum deosculatorio deaurato et duabus fialis argenteis deauratis vna cum missali meo paruo quod de domino Johanne Grandissono habui vt remaneant ibidem imperpetuum. Item lego ecclesie de Mere vnum par vestimentorum. Item lego ecclesie de Heyghtrebury vnum par vestimentorum rubeorum cum vno corporali meliori non legato apparatum meum melius altaris rubeum, vnum calicem vnum deosculatorium deauratum cum phiolis argenteis deauratis et tintinabulo deaurato. Item lego eidem ecclesie cupam meam deauratam cum ymagine beate Marie in fundo ad reponendum corpus Christi et dependendum supra altarem ordinale meum et duo candelabra argentea. Item lego capelle de Knouke vnum par vestimentorum. Item lego ecclesie de Godalmynge vnum par vestimentorum. Item lego ecclesie de Somynge vnum par vestimentorum. Item lego capellis eidem ecclesie annexis videlicet Wokyngham, Hurst Sandhurst et Roscomp' cuilibet earum vnum par vestimentorum. Item lego ecclesie de Cheddesey vnum par vestimentorum de albo velneto et duas legendas magnas. Et volo quod executores mei garciones tempore mortis mee mecum existentes iuxta discrecionem ipsorum executorum meorum remunerent et secundum temporis quantitatem quo mecum steterint. Et huius vltime voluntatis mee facio ordino et nomino executores meos speciales Reuerendum Confratrem meum dominum Georgium Lounthorp Ecclesie Sarum Canonicum Johannem Whytyner scribam meum et notarium publicum et Edwardum Clyue. Datum Sarum sexto die mensis Maij anno domini Millesimo CCCC^mo^ quarto.

[Proved 29 June 1404, and commission of administration granted to

Master John Chaundeler and Master William Cyttelynge, canons of Sarum, in case the executors named in the will refuse the administration.]

Of the four daughters mentioned in the pedigree (p. 493), Sibyll, apparently a nun in Amesbury Monastery in 1388, was Prioress there in 1410, and died 1420. Margaret was also a nun at Barking in 1388 and 1404.

On a tomb in Heyford Church, co. Northampton, to John Mauntell and his wife Elizabeth, is a brass plate, with inscription in Norman French (without date), and two shields of arms. On the reverse of one of these shields there appears another coat of arms, apparently engraved for a memorial of a Montacute, Earl of Salisbury.[1] It bears *three fusils in fess* (without *bordure*), MONTACUTE, quartering *six lioncels rampant*, LONGESPÉE. No traces of colour remain, and it is doubtful if the shield so arranged was ever actually used. Perhaps it was found to be without right, and was consequently discarded.

Although no connexion existed between the families of Montacute and Longspée (both of whom held the Earldom of Salisbury) to account for such a quartering, it may be an instance of treating the coat of the first Earls as the arms of the Earldom, and quartering it with the family coat of the succeeding Earls, as was occasionally the practice in France and Scotland.

One of the earliest, if not the first example of two coats being borne quarterly by a subject in this country, seems to have occurred in the family of Montacute. Their ancestor, Sir Symon de Montacute, sealed the Barons' letter, in 1301, with his seal bearing *the fusils*, and counterseal bearing *a griffin segreant*. On the seals of the Earls of Salisbury the *griffins* appear only as crests, or as beasts flanking the shield of arms on the counterseal of the first Earl.

EDWARD KITE.

Poulshot, Devizes.

[1] Query if for the tomb of the second Earl, who died 1397. The shield itself was exhibited at a meeting of the Archæological Institute, 4th June 1852.

RECORDS OF WILTSHIRE PARISHES.

ERCHFONT WITH STERT.

(*Continued from p.* 499.)

PATENT ROLL. [8 *Edward IV, pt.* 3, *m.* 3.]

A.D. 1468. Grant to the abbess and convent of St. Mary, Winchester, because they are so burdened with repairs of their house and church and other possessions and payments of tenths and other imposts that they cannot support the injunctions of their order, that they shall have view of frankpledge and assize of bread and ale, with waif and stray and all pertaining to this view at each of their towns of Erchfont and Canynges, co. Wilts, with all their hamlets, from all their tenants and other residents in said towns and hamlets, and within precinct of same, and that they and said tenants and residents shall be quit of any suit at the king's hundred of Stolfold *alias* Swanbergh, and of receiving any sheriffs or other officers, bailiffs or ministers of the king. Oct. 21, Westminster. By privy seal.

PATENT ROLL. [16 *Edward IV, pt.* 1, *m.* 20.]

A.D. 1476. Grant to abbess and convent of St. Mary, Winchester, in furtherance of the grant above, not valid as they hoped, that they shall have all sums of money and rents due to the king from themselves or their tenants or other residents in towns and hamlets of Erchefont and Canynges, co. Wilts, for any rent of "tythyng peny" or other rent payable at any sheriff's turn within the hundred of Swannebergh *alias* Stolfold, *alias* Rughbergh, and pardon to them of all sums of money due to them from the king as parcel of the farm for the profit of the county of Wilts. May 12, Westminster. By the king.

L. T. R., Memorand: Roll. [*Michaelmas, 16 Edward IV.*]

A.D. 1476. The abbess of St. Mary, Winchester, in quindene of Michaelmas, through Walter Forde her attorney, pleads exemption from *6li. 13s. 6d.*, part of 80 marks levied on her for her property at Erchfont and Canings in Wilts, being exonerated by the above letters patents; the judgment is given in her favour and her plea allowed by the Barons of the Exchequer.

[Patents confirmed by *Pat. 1 Richard III, 3 March.*, enrolled *L. T. R. Mem. Roll, Easter, 1 Ric. III, 39*; also *1 Henry VII.*]

Inquisition Post Mortem. [*14 Edward VI, No. 6.*]

P.M. Avice Blake.

A.D. 1474. Inquest taken at Devizes, 29 October, 14 Edward IV. Jury say that John Malewyn was seized in his demesne as of fee of 8 messuages, 184 acres of land, 28 acres of meadow, 21 acres of pasture, and 6 acres of wood, with appurtenances in Erchefount and Wedehampton, co. Wilts, and had issue Roger and Agnes, and in such state died seized; after whose death same messuage, land, meadow, pasture, and wood, descended to Roger as son and heir of John, by which Roger, as son and heir, was seized thereof in his demesne as of fee, and thus seized enfeoffed thereof Avice Blake for the term of her life, by which Avice was thereof seized in her demesne as of freehold; and afterwards Roger took to wife the same Avice, and Roger and Avice had issue Joan; and Roger died, after whose death reversion of said messuages, &c., descended to Joan as daughter and heir of Roger, of which reversion she died seized without issue. And Avice took to husband Robert Blake, and Avice seized of said messuage, &c., as of freehold, died; after whose death said messuage, &c., reverted to John Ernele, now surviving as cousin and heir as well of said Roger, viz., son of John Ernele, son of Joan, late wife of John Ernele, and daughter of said Agnes, sister of same Roger, as of foresaid Joan, daughter of Roger. And they say that said

messuages, &c., are held of the abbess of St. Mary, Winchester, by what service they are ignorant, and are worth yearly in all issues 9*li.* And Avice held no other lands or tenements in said county; and she died 29 October, 13 Edward IV, and John Blake is her son and nearer heir and is 40 years old and more. In testimony whereof, &c.

COMPOTUS ROLL OF THE ABBEY OF ST. MARY, WINCHESTER.

[*Add. Roll*, 19,717.[1]]

A.D. 1460-61. ERCHEFFUNT.—*Account of William Harvist, farmer there from Michaelmas, 39 Henry VI, to the same feast next following, 1 Edward IV, and 14 Agnes Buryton, Abbess.*

ARREARS.—The same renders account of 30*li.* 14*s.* 10½*d.* from arrears of account of preceding year. Sum, 30*li.* 14*s.* 10½*d.*

RENTS OF ASSIZE WITH THE INCREASE.—And of 44*li.* 15*s.* 6½*d.* of the whole rent of assize, there to be paid yearly at the 4 yearly terms. And of 12*s.* 8*d.* from John Dokeman and William Shephurd, for a croft called Vernecroft, in the same places this year. And of 8*d.* . . . the rent of a parcel of the meadow ground of Everbrech adjoining tenement of Christina Cope. Sum, 45*li.* 9*s.* 10½*d.*

ACQUITTANCE OF RENTS.—From certain persons in acquittance of rent of the reeve nothing, because there is none. In acquittance of rent of the bailiff's virgate of land this year, 5*s.* In acquittance of rent of the woodward by agreement, 6*s.* Of the acquittance of 12 ploughmen or 1 oxherd, nothing this year. In acquittance of rent of the smith's virgate of land, doing the ploughshares of all the ploughs and shoeing two horses in the hind feet with his own iron and steel, 5*s.* And moreover taken in allowance of each plough, 12*d.* as appears below. In acquittance of rent of Roger Dokeman for virgate of land, formerly John Cope's, demised to him for term of his life,

[1] Ad. Roll, 19,723 (imperfect), seems to be earlier, probably of A.D. 1455-6, as in this the Rector of Edington has retained his rent for 39 years only.

because he ought to cover all the defects of the Court house covered with stone, for all services yearly, 5*s.* In acquittance of rent of Thomas Basset's ½ hide of land, which is wont to return yearly 36*s.* 8*d.* for rent and works, and now returns 12*s.* 6*d.* and not more, because he does all the works as of ½ hide of land, this year the 89th,[1] 14*s.* 2*d.* In acquittance of the rent of an acremansland granted to William Harvest this year, 2*s.* 6*d.* Sum 3*s.* 8*d.*

Defective Rents.—In defect of rent of the tenement formerly of Peter in the Hethe, because in demesne, 11*d.* and not more, because 13*d.* levied from the issues. In defect of rent of an acre of land, formerly of Robert Toke, 6*d.* and not more, because 10*d.* levied from the issues. In defect of rent of cottage, formerly John Basset's in Escote, 12*d.* and not more, because 12*d.* raised from the issues handed over to William Marsheman. In defect of rent of cottage, late John Hopere's, because in hand of the Lady, 2*s.* In defect of rent of cottage and ½ acre of land, late of John Simond's. Item, a cottage and ½ acre of land, late Nicholas Basset's, which is wont to return 6*s.*, and is now John Bay . . . 's for 4*s.* yearly, 2*s.* In defect of rent of 1 acre, 3 rods of land, late John Simondy's, which is wont to return 18*d.*, and now is delivered to William Shephurd for 12*d.* yearly, 6*d.* In defect of rent of a toft 4 acres, 3 rods of land in Wykeham heyes, late of John Tollof's, which is in the Lady's hand, 4*s.* In defect of rent of a toft and 8 acres of land called Acreman's, in Estcote, which John Holderne lately held, which is wont to return 6*s.* yearly, and now delivered to William Hopere for 4*s.* yearly, 2*s.* In defect of rent of a toft and a virgate of land at Wyke, late Lawrence Pleyer's, which used to return 13*s.* 4*d.*, and now delivered to Thomas Gyldmowght for 8*s.* yearly, 5*s.* 4*d.* In defect of rent of a shop by the cemetery, 12*d.* and not more, because 12*d.* raised from the issues this year. In defect of rent of a toft and 2 acres of land in Estcote, late Peter Dounton's,

[1] It had been held thus for 89 years, that is.

because in hands of the Lady, 20*d.*, returned below in the issues. In defect of rent of a messuage and virgate of land, late William Collys, which used to return 13*s.* 4*d.*, and now delivered to John Benet for 12*s.* yearly, 16*d.* In defect of rent of a croft at Wyke, which is in the hands of the Lady. In defect of rent of cottage, late John Benet's, 12*d.* and not more, because delivered to John Merdon for term of 50 years, this year the 21st, for 12*d.* yearly. In defect of rent for a toft and virgate of land in Escote, 2*s.* and not more, because it is delivered to John Williams for 8*s.* yearly for life. In defect of rent of 2 acres of land of Bordland, late of William Bassett, neif, because it is in Lady's hand, 12*d.* In defect of rent of cottage with garden and parcel of meadow, which John Payne lately held, which used to return 8*s.* 4*d.*, and afterwards delivered to Richard Bowedon for term of his life for 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly, because it is in the Lady's hand this year, 8*s.* 4*d.* In defect of rent of a messuage and a virgate of land, late John Brode's, which used to return 13*s.* 4*d.*, and now delivered to John Wilhous, junior, for term of his life for 10*s.* yearly, 3*s.* 4*d.* In defect of rent of a messuage and 8 acres of land, called Acreman's, which used to return 9*s.*, and now delivered to Thomas Cheffynche for term of his life for 7*s.* yearly, 2*s.* In defect of rent of cottage with garden adjacent, late William Webbe's, which used to return 4*s.* 6*d.*, and now delivered to Thomas Gyldmoght for term of his life for 4*s.* yearly, 6*d.* In defect of rent of cottage with garden adjacent and an acre of land, late Robert Bartour's, which remains in the Lady's hand this year, 4*s.* In defect of rent of a toft and 3 acres of land in Escote, 2*s.* and not more, because delivered to John Benet for 2*s.* for the term of his life. In defect of rent of cottage with curtilage which John Suoteur lately held, because in the Lady's hand this year, 2*s.* In defect of rent of a messuage and 2 acres of land, which John Denge lately held, because in the Lady's hand this year, 6*s.* 1*d.* In defect of rent of tenement and a virgate of land, which William Harvust lately held, which used to return 16*s.*, and now delivered to Thomas Edmondes

for term of his life for 15*s.* yearly, 12*d.* In defect of rent of cottage, with garden adjacent, which Richard Michell lately held, because in the Lady's hand this year, 2*s.* Sum, 64*s.* 9*d.* Sum of acquittances and defective rents, 101*s.* 5*d.* Sum of remaining clear, 40*li.* 8*s.* 5½*d.*

Poll-Money.—And of 4*d.* of John atte Welle, neif of the Lady, that he may dwell wherever he will for term of his life, to be paid at court at Hocktide yearly, and he does suit to same court by pledge of John atte Welle his brother. Sum 4*d.*

Sale of Works.—And of 4*s.* 2*d.* from Richard Collys, for the works of a messuage and 8 acres of land in going with the Lady's plough, sold to him this year. And of 4*s.* 2*d.* from Nicholas Hoblys, for plough-labours of messuage and 8 acres of land sold to him. And of 4*s.* 2*d.* of John Kengow, for plough-labours sold to him. And of 4*s.* 2*d.* from John Case, junior, and 4*s.* 2*d.* from Walter Wodowe, for the like. And of 4*s.* 2*d.* from Stephen Wheler, 4*s.* 6*d.* from William Pyllynge, 4*s.* 6*d.* from Thomas Cheffynch, 4*s.* 2*d.* from John Besaunt, 4*s.* 2*d.* from William Case, 4*s.* 2*d.* from Roger Revys, and 4*s.* 2*d.* from William Dene, for the like. Of 4*s.* 2*d.* from William Harvust, nothing, because it was released to him for guarding the swine. Sum 50*s.* 8*d.*

Issues of the Manor.—Of 16*d.* from pannage of the pigs of the customary tenants at Michaelmas. And of the pigs of strangers, nothing, because no mast. Of the 10*s.* from pasture in the Whytecroft, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. Of 3*s.* 4*d.* from pasture in the "mour", nothing, for same cause. Of the 2*s.* from pasture in the fields of Escote, nothing, because the farmer has it by agreement. Of the 35*s.* from pasture in Gaveldoune, and Otbrech, sold to the tenants of Wedhampton to hold according to the custom of the manor while it shall please the Lady, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. Of 20*s.* from William Harvust, junior, for 2 pieces of demesne land called Estertwefacre and Westertwelfacre, demised to him, nothing, because the farmer has it by agree-

ment. Of 10*s.* from 15½ acres in the Northerbreche, near Foxle, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. Of the thorns or underwood in Westrudyng and Rudelfate, sold, nothing this year. Of the thorns or underwood in Okfrygh, sold, nothing. Of 63*s.* 9*d.* from thorns and "scraggis" in Crowkwode, sold this year. From thorns or underwood in Hawkescombe, sold, nothing. From thorns or underwood in the Whytecroft or Inlond, sold this year, nothing. Of 12*d.* from clay sold, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. But he returns 20*d.* from Thowngmanheyes sold this year, and not more, because the other part is delivered to John Kynge for antient rent. Of 13*s.* 4*d.* of issues of virgate of land, late Thomas Bryght's, this year. From the coarse wool sold, nothing, but of 13*s.* 6*d.* of 11 cwt. 4 lbs. of lamb's wool, sold at 14*d.* the cwt. Of 11*s.* 9*d.* from 13 cwt. 11 lbs. of torn wool,[1] sold at 10*d.* the cwt. From "Bowtwoll" sold, nothing this year. Of 2*s.* from 6 geese sold, nothing, because the farmer has it by agreement. And of 6*s.* 9*d.* of wool of 36 sheep and 9 hoggets [dead] of murrain before the shearing, sold at 2*d.* per sheepskin, and 1*d.* the hoggets skin. And of 3*d.* from the skin of 6 sheep [dead] of murrain after the shearing, sold at ½*d.* the skin. And of 1*d.* from the wool of 3 lambs after the shearing, sold at ½ each. Of hens' eggs nothing. Of 3*s.* 4*d.* from 3 plough-shares, nothing, because the farmer has it by agreement. Of 2*s.* 10*d.* from 34 horseshoes, nothing, for the foresaid cause. Of 6*d.* from an iron clog[2] with nails, nothing, for the same cause. From a load sold nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. From milk of cows, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. And of 13*s.* 2*d.* from the issues from ½ hide of land which was Edith Snell's and afterwards John Cope's, beyond 12*s.* 6*d.* of rent of assize above charged in the heading of rent. Of 2*s.* from pasture in Confryght sold, nothing this year because Roger Hopere holds it by agreement with the park of Lydecrofte. Of 4*s.* from Roger Hopere and John Raynolds

[1] *Lana fracta.*

[2] *Ferr' pedal'.*

for 12 acres of demesne land lately let to them, nothing, because in the Lady's hand. And of 7*s.* 6*d.* from issues of ½ hide of land, lately Richard Richebryd's, now Thomas Brode's, beyond 12*s.* 6*d.* above charged in the heading of rent and half of the works and customs anciently due. And of 1*d.* from Stephen Tarry for a tenement late Roger Hopere's for licence to enlarge a palisade by his house this year 67 [*sic*]. And of 4*s.* 10*d.* from Cristina, late wife of John Cope, for certain autumn works and boon works of a widow, besides 3*s.* 6*d.* of rents of assize in the heading rent. And of 3*s.* 6*d.* from same Christina for certain autumnal works and boon-works of messuage and ½ virgate of land, late John Case's, in Escote, besides 2*s.* 6*d.* above charged in the heading rent. Of 6*s.* from the works of Richard Clerk, for the works of 1 messuage and 1 cotsette of land, late John Basset's, besides 2*s.* 6*d.* above charged in the heading rent, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. Of 2*s.* 6*d.* from Estthyrtyacre, opposite the sheepfold of Dwelyes, thus demised to John Dokeman, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. Of 5*s.* 2*d.* of the autumn works and church-scot of John Adam, for a messuage and a virgate of land, late John Rollyng's, sold, besides 5*s.* 10*d.* charged in the heading rent, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. Of 12*d.* from the autumn works of John Woolwe, junior, for house and 6 acres of land in the Marshe, likewise sold, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. And of 4*s.* of issues of a croft called Vellyscroft and Tolloferoft, let this year. Of 12*d.* from the autumn works of John Wylhous, junior, for a messuage and a virgate late John Brode's likewise sold, nothing, because it belongs to the farmer. And of 4*s.* of issues of cottage with garden and an acre of land, late Robert Bartour's, let this year. And of 3*s.* 4*d.* of issues of messuage and 2 acres of land which Peter Corser lately held thus, let this year. Sum 7*li.* 13*s.* 10½*d.*—whereof the collector, 6*li.* 0*s.* 18*d.*; the farmer, 32*s.* 4½*d.*

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(To be continued.)

CHOLDERTON. [ADDITIONAL RECORDS].

ASSIZE ROLL, 1006, *m.* 22*b*. [*Assize at Wilton*, 17 *Edward I.*]

A.D. 1288.—Richard de Vpton and Isabel his wife and Robert, son of the same Isabel, offered themselves on the fourth day against William Edmund of Staunton, Henry Trussehare and John Fitz Nicole, concerning the plea of a virgate of land with appurtenances in Cheldrington which the foresaid William, Henry and John sought against them. And they themselves did not come, and they were the plaintiffs; therefore the foresaid Richard and Isabel and Robert may go thence without a day. And the foresaid William, Henry and John and their pledges of the prosecution are in mercy, to wit, William Atte Hide of Chalk and Philip Fraunceys of Tudwrth.

CURIA REGIS ROLL, *No.* 27. [*Michaelmas*, 4 *John*. *m.* 6^{b}, *m.* 2^{b}.]

A.D. 1202.—Roger de Argent sues for the advowson of the Church of Chederton against the Prior of S^{t}. Neot's as his right, whereof Dicoia, his ancestress,[1] was seized as of her right, and from her it descended to a certain Guy, and from Guy himself it descended to John, father of the same Roger, who made the last presentation, and the Prior called to warrant Odo Burnard. And a day was given them five days from the day of St. Hillary, &c. The Prior may have Odo himself.

IBID.

The Assize came to take cognisance if Godfrey, father of William, was seized in his demesne as of fee of $3\frac{1}{2}$ virgates of land with the appurtenances in Childerton on the day of his death, and if the same William unjustly holds certain (?) land of Richard de Forcot, who comes and says that the assize ought not to proceed because he did not hold the land on the day when the Assize was summoned, and he places himself

[1] Ava.

upon the country, and Richard likewise. A day is given them in the octaves of S^{t}. Hillary, &c., &c.

ASSIZE ROLL, *No.* 1248, *m.* 2. [*Assize at Westdene, Friday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross,* 10 *Edward I.*]

A.D. 1281.—The Assize came to take cognisance if Nichola de Cherldrinton, mother of John, son of Elyas of Schireneton, was seized in her demesne as of fee of 18 acres of land with appurtenances in Cherldrinton on the day of her death. Whereof Alice atte Townesende holds 9 acres, John Byset, and Margery his wife 7 acres, Ralph Burgeys one acre, and Reginald le Baylif one acre. Who come, and Alice and all say that the Assize ought not to be, because they say that a certain Hugh de la Vessele, otherwise in the Court of the now lord king before his itinerant Justices at Wylton, impleaded them concerning certain tenements which they then held. So that they themselves, in the same court, called the foresaid Elyas and John, who now bore the writ of Assize, to warrant against the foresaid Hugh, because the foresaid Elyas had nothing in the same tenements, unless by the law of England, of the heritage of the same John. Whereof they say that the foresaid Elyas and John made default. After the default, afterwards they were summoned and the summons witnessed by which it was then considered that the foresaid Hugh should recover his seizin against them, and that they themselves should have of the land of the foresaid Elyas and John to the value, &c. And they say that . . . . . the foresaid tenements which the same John now seeks by the Assize by execution of that judgment. And they seek judgment if the Assize ought to proceed. And if . . . . they say that they are ready to verify by record of the rolls of the itinerant Justices, &c.

And John says that whatever the others say of the foresaid Alice . . . of any plea in the foresaid Court, he says that she never had seisin of those same tenements so that from her hand by any default they could recover it ; nor that he should be held by the judgment to warrant those tenements. He says

also that he has no tenements in the same County where he could be summoned, but that the foresaid Nichola died seized of the foresaid tenements in her demesne, &c. And that, &c. he places himself upon the Assize. . . . .[1]

IBID., *m.* 6[d].

Roger Oslak and Elen his wife, who bore the king's writ against Hugh de la Vescele and Rose his wife, John de Straton and Agnes his wife, Emma le Breton and others, for tenements in Childrinton did not prosecute. Therefore they and their pledges of the prosecution are in mercy. They did not find pledges of the prosecution unless by fealty.[2]

ASSIZE ROLL 1434, *No.* 73. [*Assizes at New Sarum, 21 Edward III.*]

A.D. 1347.—The Assize come to take cognisance if Simon Caneford, Adam Caneford, William Henry John le Noble, of Aldynton, Robert Bradebury and Margery Rogeres, unjustly, &c., disseized Thomas Virly and Edith his wife of their free tenement in Cheldryngton, and whereof they complain that they disseized them of 2½ acres of land with appurtenances.

And Robert came and not the others, but the same Robert answered for them as their bailif; and for them he says that they did thereof no disseisin to the foresaid Thomas and Edith. And concerning this he places himself on the Assize. And Thomas and Edith likewise. Therefore the Assize is taken against them. And the foresaid Robert answers as tenant of the foresaid land with appurtenances, and says that whereas the aforesaid Thomas and Edith caused him in their writ to be named Robert de Bradebury, he himself is named Robert the Hayward of Sprottesburgh, and not Robert of Bradbury; whence he seeks judgment concerning the writ, &c. And the foresaid Thomas and Edith could not deny this. Therefore it is considered that the foresaid Simon and

[1] Part of the last paragraph is almost illegible and the end is lost.

[2] "Non inuen' pleg' de prosecutione nisi per fidem."

the others may go thence without a day, and the foresaid Thomas and Edith may take nothing by their writ, but shall be in mercy for their false claim.

Assize Roll 1466, *m.* 4. [*Assizes at New Sarum, Monday, in the Vigil of St. Peter in Cathedrâ* (*Feb.* 22), 36 *Edw. III.*]

A.D. 1362.—Walter Carbonel and Margery his wife, who bore a writ to summon an Assize of novel disseizin against John Vyrley, of Chaldryngton, concerning tenements in Chaldryngton, did not prosecute their writ. Therefore they and John Daubeneye and Robert Holhurst, their pledges of prosecution are in mercy, and John may go thence without a day, &c.

Augmentation Office. Miscellaneous Books, vol. 514. [*The certificate of church goods "received to the King's use", and remaining in the churches and chapels in Wiltshire*, A.D. 1553.]

The Hunderde of Ambrosburye.

Chaldrington	Delivered to Ellixaundre Rede, and to Nicholas Wyse j cupp or challis by Indenture of viii ovnces	viij ovnces, belles ij [?iij][1]
	In plate to the Kynges use ..	ij ovnces.

Common Roll. [*Easter*, 31 *Henry VIII*, *r.* 405.]

A.D. 1539. Wilts. William Pounde, gentleman, and Elena his wife, by John Selyard their attorney, recover against Nicholas Uppeton, esquire, and Edburga his wife, the 4th part of the manor of Choldrynton, with appurtenances and 200 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 80 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood, with appurtenances in Choldryngton ; Nicholas Webster vouchee.

Ibid. [*Hilary A*, 22 *Elizabeth*, *r.* 529.]

A.D. 1580. Wilts. Giles Wolfreis and John Cooper, recover against Richard Rutter, junior, a messuage, 80 acres of

[1] The numeral is blotted.

land, 20 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture, 30 acres of wood, and 3*s.* 4*d.* rent, with appurtenances in Cholderton, *alias* Choldrington; Richard Rutter, senior, and John Hoell, vouchees.

RECOVERY ROLL. [*Hilary*, 42 *Elizabeth*, *r.* 100.]

A.D. 1600. WILTS. } Edwin Sandys, esquire, and Anthony Sawrey, gentleman, recover against Miles Sandys, esquire, 2 messuages, 2 tofts, 2 gardens, 200 acres of land, 300 acres of meadow, 350 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood, 40 acres of broom and heather and common of pasture for every kind of beast, with appurtenances in Bacons, *alias* Westfossebury, Fossebury, Choldrington, Shawborne, Oxenwood, and Titcombe; William, Lord Sandys, and Richard Humfrey, gentleman, vouchees.

RECOVERY ROLL. [*Michaelmas*, 15 *James I*, *r.* 90.]

A.D. 1618. WILTS. } George Wrottesley, knight, and Henry Sherfield, esquire, recover against Thomas White, knight, a messuage, 44 acres of land, 2 acres of meadow, 2 acres of pasture, and common of pasture for every kind of beast, with appurtenances in Westcholderington; William Sandis, esquire, and Edward Howse, vouchees.

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QUAKERISM IN WILTSHIRE.

III.—BIRTH RECORDS.

THIRD SERIES—1750 to 1837.

(*Continued from p.* 503.)

A.

1753-8-1.—John ALLEN, son of Thomas and Joanna Allen, of Bradford.

1755-8-15.—Lydia ALLEN, dau. of Thomas and Joanna Allen, of Bradford.

B.

1750-2-13.—Anna Maria Bennet, dau. of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1751-4-29.—Jacob Bullock, son of Roger and Mary Bullock, of Hullington.

1751-7-12.—John Bishop, son of Henry and Betty Bishop, of Sutton Benger.

1752-6-19.—Thomas Headley Bennet, son of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1753-1-1.—Joseph Bullock, son of James and Ruth Bullock, of Hullington.

1753-11-14.—Thomas Awbrey Beaven, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Beaven, of Melksham.

1753-12-9.—Timothy Bullock, son of Roger and Mary Bullock, of Hullington.

1754-11-21.—John Awbrey Beaven, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Beaven, of Melksham.

1754-12-11.—Mary Bishop, dau. of Henry and Betty Bishop, of Sutton Benger.

1755-1-24.—Elizabeth Bullock, dau. of James and Ruth Bullock, of Hullington.

1755-5-28.—Mary Bennet, dau. of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1756-1-1.—At Melksham, Samuel Beaven, son of Thos. and Elizabeth Beaven.

1756-1-12.—Caleb Bullock, son of Roger and Mary Bullock, of Hullington.

1757-1-23.—John Bullock, son of James and Ruth Bullock, of Hullington.

1757-6-13.—Thomas Beaven, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Beaven, of Melksham.

1758-1-7.—Giles Bullock, son of Roger and Mary Bullock, of Hullington.

1758-4-9.—Martha Bennet, dau. of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1758-9-17.—Eleanor Beaven, dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth Beaven, of Melksham.

1759-1-29.—Benjamin Bullock, son of James and Ruth Bullock, of Hullington.

1760-1-9.—Martha Bullock, dau. of Roger and Mary Bullock, of Hullington.

1760-2-21.—Thomas Headley Bennet, son of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1761-9-27.—At Melksham, Betty Beaven, dau. of Thomas and Eliz. Beaven.

1762-7-11.—John Litchfield Bennet, son of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1763-7-17.—Mary Beaven, dau. of Thomas and Eliz. Beaven, of Melksham.

1764-2-28.—Grace Bennet, dau. of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1766-7-11.—At Melksham, Sarah Beaven, dau. of Thomas and Eliz. Beaven, of Melksham.

1766-10-18.—Elizabeth Bennet, dau. of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1768-11-4.—Rachel Beaven, dau. of Thomas and Eliz. Beaven, of Melksham.

1769-3-9.—Deborah Beck, dau. of Thomas and Deborah Beck, of Sutton Benger.

1770-1-5.—Katherine Bennet, dau. of John and Hester Bennet, of Pickwick.

1774-12-24.—John Beck, son of Thomas and Deborah Beck, of Sutton Benger.

1781-9-19.—In St. John's ph., Devizes, Mary Ann Broughton.

1782-4-9.—In Hullavington ph., Martha Bullock, dau. of Jacob and Ann Bullock, shopkeeper. N.M.[1]

1783-4-26.—In St. John's ph., Devizes, Betty Broughton, dau. of Christopher and Hester Broughton. N.M.

1784-11-1.—In St. John's ph., Devizes, Harriot Broughton, dau. of Christopher and Hester Broughton. N.M.

1785-1-3.—At Hullavington, Hullavington ph., Martha Bullock, dau. of Jacob and Ann Bullock, shopkeeper. N.M.

1786-5-19.—In St. John's ph., Devizes, Christopher Broughton, son of Christopher and Hester Broughton. N.M.

1786-8-18.—At Hullavington, Hullavington ph., Frances Bullock, dau. of Jacob and Ann Bullock, farmer. N.M.

[1] N.M. = Non-member.

1787-8-18.—In St. John's ph., Devizes, Thomas Broughton, son of Christopher and Hester Broughton. N.M.

1788-9-2.—At Hullavington, Hullavington ph., Jacob Bullock, son of Jacob and Ann Bullock, farmer. N.M.

1791-2-18.—At Hullavington, Ann Bullock, dau. of Jacob and Ann Bullock, farmer. N.M.

1797-2-18.—At Chittoe, Mary Breach, dau. of Moses and Ann Breach, of Chittoe, yeoman. N.M.

1830-1-16.—At Melksham, David Brooks, son of Edmund and Ann Brooks, of Melksham, baker.

1834-9-29.—At Melksham, Edmund Wright Brooks, son of Edmund and Ann Brooks, of Melksham, warehouseman.

Norman Penney.

Devonshire House,
Bishopsgate, E.C.

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A CALENDAR OF FEET OF FINES FOR WILTSHIRE.

(*Continued from p.* 505.)

Elizabeth.

140. Anno 4.—Gabriel Pledall, gen., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm.; messuages and lands in Chyppenham. 200 marks.

141. Anno 4.—Henry Sevegar *and* John More and Alice his wife; messuages and lands in Puryton and Stoke. £40.

142. Anno 4.—Gabriel Pledall, gen., and Henry Sherington, arm., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm.; manors of Bremehill, *als.* Bremble and Bromeham, Battell, messuages and lands in Bremehill. *als.* Bremble, Foxham, Bromeham, Battell, Pewsey, and Wotton Ryvers. £2,160.

143. Anno 4.—Christopher Bayly and Jane his wife *and* William Bayly; messuages and lands in Trowbridge and Studley. £80.

144. Anno 4.—Richard Roberts, gen., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm., and Henry Sharington, arm. ; messuages and lands in Spye Bovedon, *als.* Bowdon, Chittowe, Canninge Epi., Bromehill, Calne, Lacocke and Chippenham.

145. Anno 4.—Henry Longe, gen., *and* Thomas Longe, of Fromelwood, gen. ; a third part of the manor of Whaddon, a third part of a fulling mill, messuages and lands in Whaddon and Milksh'm and Stepleassheton, as well as the third part of the advowson of the church of Whaddon. 260 marks.

146. Anno 4.—John Tylton *and* John Trymell and Stephen Trymell ; messuage and garden in Le Devises. £20.

147. Anno 4.—James Mores *and* William Carter and Alice his wife ; messuages, water mills and lands in Stratton St. Margaret, Cricklade and Chelworthe, with free fishery in the waters of the Thames. £126.

148. Anno 4.—Edmund Andrews *and* Robert Puntar; messuages and lands in Shildon, Lowlsdon and Chippenham. £40.

149. Anno 4.—Richard Cabell, gen., *and* Roger [?] Rede and Agnes his wife ; messuages and lands in Warmyster, Corsley and Bugley. £40.

150. Anno 4.—John Bathe *and* William Amynar, *alias* Paynter, senior; messuages and lands in Wotton Bassett. £40.

151. Anno 4.—William Uvedale and Richard Norton *and* Anna Waytts, widow ; manors of Nether Segre and Som'ford Bowlles, messuages and lands in Segre, Som'ford, Staunton, Quynten [?], Chesyngburie and Enford. £80.

152. Anno 4.—John Peere and William Box *and* John Peche, gen., and Anna his wife ; messuages and lands in Marlborough and Presshewte. £80.

153. Anno 4.—John Mitchell and Edward Mitchell *and* William Savyle, gen., and Anna his wife ; half the manor of Blackland and Backhampton, messuages and lands in Blackland, Calne, Backhampton and Avebury, with the half of the

advowsons of the churches of Blackland and Backhampton. £200.

154. Anno 4.—Griffin Curteys and John . . rdler, gen., *and* William Darrell, arm., and Noah Parfytt; messuages and lands in Ramsbury and Knighton.

155. Anno 4.—Thomas Gyles and Richard Symons *and* Thomas Crokeford and Grace his wife, daughter and heiress of Christopher Skynner, *als.* Atwater; messuages and lands in Hurst and Okyngham. £180.

156. Anno 4.—Joan Truslowe, widow, and John Truslowe *and* Richard Roberts, gen.; the manor of Avebury, messuages and lands in Avebury. 130 Marks.

157. Anno 4.—Thomas Godderd, gen., *and* Cuthbert Vaughan, arm., and Elizabeth his wife; land in Barwicke Bassett. £40.

158. Anno 4.—John Gale, senior, *and* Richard Tyndall, senior, gen., and Elizabeth his wife; messuages and lands in Chyppenham. 130 marks.

159. Anno 4.—Reginald Garthe, gen., *and* Andrew Baynton, arm.; manor of Bulkynton [?], *alias* Biukynton [?], messuages and lands and common of pasturage in Kevell, Calne, and Hedyngton. £280.

160. Anno 4.—Thomas Hutchyns *and* Cuthbert Vaughan, arm., and Elizabeth his wife; messuages and lands in Ricardston, Winterborne, and Barwick Bassett. £170.

161. Anno 4.—John Seynt John, arm., *and* William Broke, knt., Lord Cobham and Frances his wife; manor of Bycgnall, *als.* Binckenhall, *als.* Bincknoll, messuages and lands in Bynknoll, Cottmarshe, Chaddenton, Lyddearde Tregose, Brodchynton, Wotton Bassett, and Cleve Pep. £480.

162. Anno 4.—Thomas Seymar *and* John More, gen.; messuage and lands in Ramesbury, with common of pasture in Marige Heth and Jacketts Marshe, in Whittyndyche, Estrige, and Ramesbury. £40.

163. Anno 4.—Gabriel Pledall, gen., *and* William Grove

and Margaret his wife; messuage and lands in Wotton Bassett. £40.

164. Anno 4.—Thomas Goddard, gen., *and* William Earl of Pembroke, Knight of the Garter; manor of Clatforde, messuages and lands in Clatford. £200.

165. Anno 4.—Lawrence Chatterton, gen., and John Hybbard *and* Robert Reve; land in Wotton Bassett.

166. Anno 4.—John Webb, merchant, *and* Richard Roberts, gen.; messuages and lands in Cestoke. £100.

167. Anno 4.—John Webbe, gen., *and* John Sarvington, gen.; manor of Langford, messuages and lands, watermills and free fishing in Burteford. £420.

168. Anno 4.—John Collyns *and* William Darrell; messuages and lands in Parketown and Ramysbury. £40.

E. A. Fry.

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EYRE OF WILTS.

(*Continued from p.* 509.)

Eyre of Wedhampton.—Simon or John Le Eyr, younger brother of Stephen Le Eyr of Bromham, m. Eleanor or Helen, dau. and heiress of John Crooke[1] (or Croker) of Urchfont, in the county of Wilts, and, according to the Visitations, he had his seat at Wedhampton, in the parish of Urchfont. He recovered seisin of his lands in Urchfont by the name of John Le Eyr, in the reign of Edward III, and left issue one son:—

Simon Eyre, of Wedhampton, who is mentioned in the list of adherents in Wilts to King Henry VI in the Wars of the Roses, left a son, Thomas Eyre, of Wedhampton and North-

[1] The name still survives as a place-name on a farm and part of Urchfont called Crookwood.

combe, who had issue, William Eyre, of Wedhampton and Northcombe, who married Joana Cockrell, and had two sons.

(1.) William Eyre, who was elected Prior of the Canons of St. Augustine, Christchurch, Hants, in 1502. He died in 1520, and was buried behind the high altar of the Priory Church, under a flat stone (which is still legible), with the following inscription :—

"Tumba Domini Wilhelmi Eyre. Vicessimi Quinti Prioris Hujus Ecclesiæ qui obiit tertio dio decembris anno domini Milessimo CCCCC et XX cujus anime propitietur Deus. Amen."—*By his side also was buried his mother, the inscription on her tomb being the following* :—"Hic Jacet Joana Cockrell, Mater Wilhelmi Eyre, Prioris Hujus Ecclesiæ. Cujus Anime propitietur Deus. Amen."

(2.) John Eyre, of Wedhampton, who married twice. (1st) Margaret, dau. of John Bitton, of Alton, Wilts, and secondly Jane Cusse (*see* "Eyre of New Sarum"). John Eyre of Wedhampton by his first wife had an only son John Eyre of Wedhampton, Knt. of the Shire 1563, who mar. Alice Payne a coheiress of the family of Payne of Notcombe, Dorset, by whom he had two children, a daughter Edith, who mar. Nicholas Bacon of Whiteparish, Wilts, and a son John [for whom presently, under "Eyre of Great Chaldfield"].

Eyre of Great Chaldfield.—John Eyre, only son of John Eyre of Wedhampton by Alice Payne, his wife, M.P. for New Sarum, 1571, married[1] Anne, eldest dau. of Thomas Tropenell of Great Chaldfield. The death of her brother, through a hunting accident, made her a coheiress with her sister of the Tropenell estates, and in the division of the property the Great Chaldfield and Monks estates were assigned to her. John

[1] In *Wilts N. & Q.*, vol. iv, p. 183, is given the copy of a deed dated 14 Dec. 1579, from which it appears that John Eyre married, secondly, Elizabeth, dau. of Richard Dauntsey. This marriage is not given in the *Visitation of Wilts* 1623, nor in the pedigree of the family in Hoare's *Wiltshire*.

Eyre removed from Wedhampton and made Great Chaldfield Mansion House the seat of the family, where they remained settled till his grandson, Sir John Eyre, sold it.

The late Mr. Eyre Matcham thus writes of it in Hoare's *Wiltshire* :—

"The Mansion, reared in the time of the Plantaganets, still remains, and exhibits, perhaps, the earliest and most perfect example of domestic architecture unmixed with monastic or castellated buildings which this or the neighbouring counties furnish."

John Eyre d. 22 Sept. 1581, and was buried at Great Chaldfield, having had issue, whose births are recorded in the Great Chaldfield register, as follows :—

i. Sir William Eyre. "January the first about foure of the clock in the morning was borne Willm. Eyre Anno Domi 1555." (Of whom presently.)

i. Elizabeth Eyre. "In die conversionis Sancti Pauli, about five of the clock was born Elizabeth Eyre, in the year of the rayne of King Henry the Eight the xxxviij 1545."

ii. Mary Eyre. "September the first about foure of the clock in the morning was born Mary Eyre, Anno regni Edwardi Sextis, regis i, 1547." Mary Eyre mar. . . . Greene of Milton, Somerset.

iii. Margaret Eyre. "June the fourteenth about five of the clock in the afternoon was borne Margarett Eyre Anno Regis Edwardi Sexti tertio 1549." She mar. John Dauntsey of Lavington, Wilts.

iv. Susan Eyre. "Decembr. the fourteenth about nine of the clock in the night was borne Susan Eyre Ano Regis Edwardi sexti quarto 1551." She mar. John Scrope of Castlecombe, Wilts.

v. Alice Eyre. "Ffebruary the seventh about three of the clock in the morninge was borne Alice Eyre Anno Regni (Regni) Reginæ Mariae Primo 1554." She mar. . . . Burdett of Sunning, Berks.

vi. Anne Eyre. "The morrow upon Midlent Sunday about the

break of the day was borne Anne Eyre Ano Doni 1559." She mar. . . . . Quinton of Corton in Hilmarton, Wilts.

Sir William Eyre, only son of John Eyre of Wedhampton and Great Chaldfield, was born as aforestated on 1 Jan. 1555, High Sheriff of Wilts 1591, and Knight of the Shire 1597. He sold the "Monks Estate" to the Danvers family. He was twice married, first to Anne, dau. of Sir Edward Bayntun of Bromham (she was buried at Great Chaldfield June 1567), and secondly to Elizabeth, dau. of John Jackman, Alderman of London. She was bur. at Great Chalfield Mar. 1622 (for her descendants *see* "Eyre of Little Chalfield").

Sir William Eyre was bur. at Great Chaldfield 24 Aug. 1629, having had issue by his first wife, their births being recorded in the Great Chaldfield register, as follows:—

i. Sir John Eyre. "August the Twentie sixth being Thursday about five of the clock in the evening was borne John Eyre sonne of William Eyre and Anne his wife Anno regni Reginæ Elizabethæ Vicesimo secundo 1580." Sir John was M.P. for Calne 1625, and for Chippenham 1628. He mar. Dorothy Bowsher and died s.p. Sir William Eyre, his father, having already sold the "Monks Estate" to the Danvers family, Sir John having no children, and there apparently being no settlement on his brothers, disposed of the Great Chaldfield property itself to Sir Richard Gurney, and so thus ended the Eyre connexion with that ancient manor.

ii. Edward Eyre. "Decembr. the fourth being Tuesday about five of the clock in the morning was borne Edward Eyre the son of Willm. Eyre ar. and Anne his wife Ano Reginæ Elizabethæ 25, 1582; died s.p.

iii. Sir William Eyre. "Maie the eighteenth being Monday in the forenoon was borne Willm. Eyre sonne of Willm. Eyre ar. and Anne his wife Ano Doni 1584" (*see* presently "Eyre of Neston").

i. Anne Eyre. "Maie the thirteenth between x and xi of the clock in the night was borne Anne Eyre the daughter of

Mr. William Eyre and Anne his wife Ano reginæ Elizabethæ Vicesimo 1578"; died s.p.

ii. Grace Eyre. "Decemb. the twentieth being Monday between twelve and one of the clock in the same day was born Grace Eyre Daughter of Willm. Eyre arm. and his wife Anne Ano Doni 1585"; died s.p.

A. S. Hartigan.

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WILL OF ANDREW HOLES, A.D. 1470.

Testamentum Andree Holes. [P.C.C., 30 Godyn.]

(*See* p. 524.)

In dei nomine Amen. Vicesimo secundo die mensis Aprilis anno Domini Millesimo CCCC^mo^ sexagisimo septimo Ego Andreas Holes Cancellarius ecclesie Sarum condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis lego animam meam Deo, corpusque meum sepeliendum infra capellam beate Marie Magdalene ex parte Australi chori ecclesie Sarum scituatam. Item lego cuilibet canonico Sarum exequiis meis et misse in die sepulture interessenti iij*s.* iiij*d.* Item cuilibet Vicario chorali similiter interessenti predictis xx*d.* Item cuilibet capellam cantariam perpetuam habenti in ecclesia predicta eciam predictis exequiis et misse interessenti xij*d.* Item cuilibet choriste vj*d.* Item cuilibet Sacriste viij*d.* Item duobus garcionibus cuilibet iiij*d.* Item cuilibet Altariste ecclesie Sarum vj*d.* Item bidello xx*d.* Item Janitore xx*d.* Item cuilibet capellano exequiis et misse funeralibus interessenti in parochialibus Sanctorum Thome, Martini, et Edmundi ecclesiis solemniter decantatis vj*d.* Item cuilibet clerico legere et cantare scienti et dictis exequiis et misse superpellicio induto interessenti ij*d.* Item cuilibet Sacriste dictarum ecclesiarum parochialium iiij*d.* Item conventui ordinis fratrum minorum ciuitatis Nove Sarum exequias et missam funerales dicenti cuilibet xx*s.* Item conventui ordinis fratrum predicatorum ejusdem ciuitatis similia celebranti xx*s.* Item distributionem publice pauperibus in die sepulture mee xx*li.* Item capellano[1] Hospitalis Sancti Nicholai extra mures dicte Ciuitatis exequiam et missam funerales dicentibus cuilibet vj*d.* Item cuilibet Grabatino pauperi ciuitatis predicte iiij*d.* Item cuilibet panperi Domus leprosorum de Haneham iiij*d.* Item

[1] *Sic pro* "capellanis".

collegio beate Marie Wintoniensis in Oxonia pro exequiis et missa funeralibus quam cito poterit fieri post obitum meum inibi munciatum iiij*li.* dividendas secundum discrecionem custodis ibidem. Item Collegio beate Marie prope Wintoniam vnum magnum antiphonare habens plenam legendam tam de temporali quam de sanctis cum Antiphonis responsoriis nocturnis ij fo. in nigro *portarum Jherusalem* ponendum choro juxta discrecionem custodis collegii ibidem. Item Collegio beate Marie prope Wintoniam sub similibis faciendis iiij*li.* secundum descrecionem custodis ibidem similter dividendas. Item Lego missale meum quod incipit ij fo. nigro. *et defendat.* ecclesie de Odiham. Item lego vnum librum pulchrum continens ympnare et exequias mortuorum ij° fo. *Exurge Domine* in choro ecclesie cathedrali Wellensi ligandum atque stallum pertinens ad Archidiaconum Wellensem pro tempore existentem. Item lego legendum de temporalibus et de omnibus Sanctis per annum de vsu ecclessie Sarisburiensis quam emi de executoribus Domini Ricardi Trobe canonici et Residenciarii dum vixit in eadem ecclesia capelle Collegii beate Marie prope Wintoniam. Item ecclesie prebendali mee de Hussh vnum par vestimentorum sacerdotalium secundum dictorum executorum discrecionem. Item ecclesie Cathedrali Sarum vnam integram sectam vestimentorum sacerdotalium de panno argenteo pro presbitero diacono et subdiacono cum vj capis eiusdem panni duplicatis cum bokeram et habentibus lez Orfreis de panno blaneo aureo operis Tussii. Item ecclesie metropolitane Eboracensis vnam integram sectam vestimentorum pro presbitero diacono et subdiacono cum vj capis de pannis blaneo aureo de Tussewe duplicatis habentibus in les mossys earundem hec verba inbroudata *Orate pro magistro Andrea Holes Archidiacono Eboracensi.* Item ecclesie Cathedrali Wellensi vnam integram sectam vestimentorum de panno rubeo aureo de Tussew pro presibitero Diacono et subdiacono cum vj capis ejusdem panni Duplicatis habentibus in les mossys earundem hec verba inbroudata *Orate pro Magistro Andrea Holes Archdiacono Wellensi.* Item vnam sectam vestimeutorum de Albo panno de Damasco puluerizato cum largis aquilis aureis pro presbitero diacono et subdiacono cum vna capa ejusdem operis et largis panys pro ornamento Altaris superius et inferius et foondali ejusdem panni. Item lego Capelle beate Marie Ecclesie Cathedrali Sarum. Item ecclesie de Southbrent vnum par vestimentorum sacerdotalium. Item ecclesie de Bargh' vnum par vestimentorum sacerdotalium. Item volo quod libri Juris Civilis vidilicet textus apparatum accursii habentes et libri juris Canonici vidilicet textns glosati cum communibus Doctoribus Barnardo Cardinali Jo. . . . . An . . . . disponatur juxta discretionem executorum meorum ad librarias Collegiorum Universitatis Oxoniensis apparatus seu libros similes non habentes. Item volo quod mea melior bibliotheca ij fo. in prologo *et Regnum describit Israel* remaneat sui Magistri Johannis Middleton post decessum meum dum vixit et post ejus mortem Collegio beate Marie Wintoniensis in Oxonia imperpetuum ad vsum alicuius in theologia seu in Jure canonico doctori quamdiu steterit socius in eodem. Item volo quod Executores mei faciant fundari vnam perpetuam Cantariam ad Altare Sancte Marie Magdalene de Capellano perpetuo qui orabit pro

anima mea parentum et benefactorum meorum et omnium fidelium defunctorum seu augmentent seu faciant augmentari ad sufficienciam perpetue sustentacionis dnorum capellanorum ab antiquo ad ipsum Altare celebrare debencium cantarias vt animam meam et animas parentum et benefactorum meorum et omnium fidelium defunctorum in memoriis habeant recognoscentibus.[1] Item volo quod Executores mei disponantur centum marce [*sic*] ad exhibitionem aliquorum scolarum in Vniversitate Oxoniense studere debencium. Item volo quod iuxta discrecionem executorum meorum distribuantur vltra annua stipendia xl*li.* inter meos cotidianos seruentes familiares domesticos commensales vniuscumque consideratis diligencia et omni obsequi quod per eum michi dum adhuc fueram superstes erat impensum. Item volo quod ymagines due beatorum Petri Andree argentee et deaurate remaneant in vsum ecclesie Cathedrali Wellensi. Cetera vero mea iocalia tam argentea deaurata quam non deaurata disponantur per manus executorum meorum. Ita videlicet quod de illis que ad ministerium ecclesiasticum fuerunt verisimiliter facta quedam cedant in vsus monasteriorum de Witham Ordinis Cartusiensis in Selwode, Bruton, Stavordale, Wospring, Bathoniense, et Wallense dioccese de Ambresbury et Shaston Sarisburiense diocese distribuenda per manus executorum meorum. Alia vero jocalia tam argentea quam deaurata et nondeaurata disponantur secundum arbitrium executorum meorum si interim magis specialius ea omnia et singula jocalia supradicta non duxero disponenda. Item volo quod quidam libri mei tam iuri Canonici quam Ciuilis disponantur libraris Universitatis Oxoniensis illis presbiterum quibus deficiunt libri similis apparatus. Indumenta vero mea lanea volo distribui vt sequitur videlicet quod Domina Alianora Vernon soror mea habeat Armulausam sive clocam de Scarleto foderatam cum puro minivere. Item lego Domine Brereton vnum longum mantellum factum in Curia Romana de panno facto in Florentia ex lana Anglicam cum capucio duplo eiusdem coloris. Item Domine Johanne Fowlishirst lego vnum longum mantellum de Englissh murrey cum vno capucio ejusdem coloris duplo cum dnabus manucis ejusdem coloris. Ceteros vero pannos laneos volo distribui inter filias sororum mearum predictarum secundum discrecionum meorum executorum. Item volo quod de honestiori et volenciori naperia mea et lintheaminibus meis magis preciosis fiant ornamenta altarium. Item lego magistri Johanni Baker custodi Collegii Beate Marie prope Wintoniam togam meam talarem foderatam cum bice cum capucio ejusdem panni foderato cum minyver et decem libras. Item lego Magistro Willielmo Crowton vnum pulcrum parvum missale coopertum cum viride veluto et decem libras monete Anglicane. Item lego Johanni Medilton x*li.* dicte monete. Quos Magistros Johannem Baker, Willelmum Crowton et Johannem Medilton facio nomino et constituto huius testamenti mei meam vltimam voluntatem continentis executores. Concedo eis et eorum cuilibet licenciam et potestatem de bonis meis emendi pro iusto et racionabili precio. Resi-

[1] In register *recon'uss'*

dium vero bonorum meorum superius non legatorum factis restitutionibus dampna passis et meis debitis persolutis in pios vsus pauperum elemosinas per manus executorum meorum volo conuerti.

[Proved at Lambeth, 25 June 1470.]

The following transcript of this Bull, in the original Papal Register, is in very faulty Latin; perhaps the transcriber has made errors in extending the contractions:—

Add. MSS. 15383, ff. 371 *et seq.*

TRANSCRIPTS FROM THE PAPAL REGISTERS RELATING TO GREAT BRITAIN.

(An. I, pag. 162. De Curia, Tom. 5.)

Pius II, &c. dilecto filio Andree Holes Cancellario Ecclesie Sarisbiriensis Salutem, &c.

Ex immensa Dei misericordia omnibus fidelibus est concessum, ut vere penitentes et confessi mereantur veniam peccatorum, et in his in quibus absque proximi lesione occulte erratum erit, mereantur cum eis a sede Apostolica misericorditer dispensari. Cum igitur tu ad etatis senium deductus animo revolvens que in retroactis temporibus occulte commiseris, et in quibus contra canonicas sanctiones quomodolibet fueris, de aliquibus tibi conscientiam facias et eo maxime quod presentatus a quadam nobili Domina, ad quam ius presentandi spectabat ad quamdam Parochialem ecclesiam te iuscio quidam tui attinentes certam pecunie summam pro maritagio cuiusdam sue filie eidem Domine ad hoc, ut dictam presentationem faceret, promiserunt, licet dubites an soluta pecunia fuerit, licet tu quam primum scivisti in Ordinarii manibus ecclesie prefate renunciasti, post quam per annum vel circa dictam ecclesiam posederas, et fructus receperas, et obtenta absolutione ab Ordinario de novo ab eodem[1] tibi collata extitit, ac etiam quia uno et eodem die ad ordinem Acolitatus et subdiaconatus promotus fuisti, et licet tui attinentes te etatis vigintî quinque annorum dicerent, cum in vicesimo secundo tue etatis anno fuisse arbitrareris extitit. Archidiaconatus Anglisen' [*sic*], in Ecclesia Langen' tibi collatus, in cuius impetratione ab Ordinario facto, ac in dispensatione ad duo incompatabilia a sede Apostolica obtenta aperuisti te de militare genere procreatum, cum tamen ignores, an genitor tuus tempore tui ortus miles esset, licet vere Nobilis et Miles etiam fuerit tempore impetrationis, ac etiam quia infra annum a die assecutionis dicte Parochialis Ecclesie non fuisti ad sacerdotium promotus, sed pauco tempore post ex quibus penas capituli licet canonicas et extravagantis execrabilis dubitas incurrisse continuo dictas incompatibiles ecclesias detinendo, si dictae impetrationes et dispensationes possent de surreptione notari, ac etiam ex eo quod obtenta una Parochiala Ecclesia et collato tibi secundo incompatibili licet potuisses ejus pacificam possessionem assequi, et sic per te stetit, quominus haberes illius possessionem recipere distulisti quousque a Sede Apostolica dispensationem obtineres, nec Parochialem Ecclesiam in manibus

Ordinarii coram Notario et testibus, prout in dicta constitutione cavetur dimisisti; et contra ipsius constitutionis seriem ad Diaconatus et Presbiteratus ordines te promoveri fecisti; dubitas insuper an tres minores ordines ostiarii, lectoris, et exorciste tibi fuerint collati, unde dubitas an his non receptis potueris ad Acolitatus ordinem promoveri, licet primam clericalem tonsuram debite fueris assecutus, et quia diversa beneficia fiusti diversis temporibus assecutus dubitas an iis temporibus esses aliqua Canonum an extravagantis aut alicujus canonis pena notatus, ex quibus dicte assecutiones beneficiorum fuissent quoquo modo indebite, et in anime tue prejudicium; commemoras etiam, quod obtenta ab Ordinario licentia, ut propter studium, quo vacabas, non tenereris infra septennium ad sacros ordines promoveri, illis lapsis promotus non fueris, ex quo beneficia curata, aut saltem Parrochialis Ecclesia forte vacassent, licet postea fueris ad sacros ordines recte promotus; etiam asseris quod tui procuratores in partibus in tui absentia beneficia laicis ad firmam dederunt, et absque Apostolice Sedis licentia subditos tuos et beneficia visitarunt, Sacris Canonibus et Provincialibus et Octonis et Octoboni Apostolice Sedis in illis partibus Segatorum constitutionibus contraveniendo; super his et aliis, que tue memorie non occurrunt, petis a Nobis misericorditer provideri, et a premissis quatinus contra sacros canones facta sint, et a penis quibuscumque ex premissis resurgentibus incurrisses, absolvi et tecum misericorditer dispensari. Nos igitur tuum propositum et conscientiam commendantes, volentesque saluti anime et corporis indempnitatibus providere te a premissis omnibus absolvimus et penitus liberamus, ac ab omnibus et singulis defectibus, inhabilitatibus, censuris et penis etiam absolvimus, tecum super premissis misericorditer dispensantes, ac tibi omnia et singula beneficia, cujuscunque conditionibus sint, curata, et Ecclesias Parochiales, etiamsi Dignitates personatus, et officia sint habendo eorum nomina, qualitates, et ecclesias beneficiorum valores tuas non obstantias [*sic*] Dispensationum et alia opportuna pro sufficienter expressis, sine prejudicio iuris alteri forsan quesiti, de novo providemus, ac facultatem concedimus, ut a quolibet Catholico Antistite Sedis Apostolice communionem habente valens dictos tres ordines aliquo die Domenico, vel festivo extra quatuor tempora sub conditione, si alias tibi collati non fuerint, recipere, qui possit et valeat tecum, ut in omnibus aliis ordinibus per te receptis administrare valeas, dispensare supplentes harum serie omnes defectus, si qui in impetrationibus beneficiorum dispensationum in promotionibus infra tempora faciendis, in beneficiorum dimissionibus quomodolibet intervenissent, ac specialiter concedentes ut fructus perceptos tuos facias, Constitutionibus Apostolicis, extravagante execrabilis, et capituli Ordinarii, et aliis etiam Provincialibus et Octonis ac Octoboni Segatorum predictorum non obstantibus, volentes et decernentes dispensationes omnes per te obtentas, et impetrationes quascumque ab Ordinariis, seu a sede Apostolica, aut ejus auctoritate habitas et concessas ab eadem valore ac si præmissa omnia minime abstitissent, ac si legitime facte fuissent, constitutionibus, et ordinationibus Apostolicis, ceterisque in contrarium facientibus non obstantibus quibuscumque, attento quod ut asseres beneficia, que nunc obtines alias canonice fueris assecutus, nec

unquam tibi conscientiam fecisti super assecutione eorumdem, nisi dudum propter inhabilitatem, quam tunc ignoranter incurristi, dictorum execrabilis et Capituli Ordinarii constitutiones non servando. Nulli ergo, &c. Datum Mantue anno, &c. Millesimo quadringentesimo quinquagesimo nono pridie Kalendas Septembris, Pontificatus nostri anno primo.

SARUM.

Some early instances of this form, uncontracted, or virtually so (*sarū*), are the following:—

(1) The great seal of William Montacute, 1st Earl of Salisbury of the second creation, 1337, which reads Sigillu' Willelmi: de: Montacuto: comitis: saru': d'ni: de: dybi: & ma'nie. (*Proceedings of Archæol. Institute, Salisbury*, 1849, p. 231.)

(2) The seals of Robert Wyvill, "official" of the see of Salisbury *sede vacante*, 1330, and bishop-elect in the same year.

(*a*) S'. ROBI. WYVILL. PRESBYTERI. ET OFIC. BEATE. MARIE. SARUM.

(*b*) S'. ROBERTI. DEI. GRA. ET. *sedis ap'lice elec*TI. ET. CONFIRMATI. SARUM.

[His seal of dignity, when consecrated, reads S. ROBERTI. DEI. GRACIA. EPI. SARESBIRIENSIS.]

(*Archæological Journal*, No. 177, 1888. Paper by Bishop of Salisbury on the Episcopal Seals of the See, p. 32.)

(3) In the Cotton MS., Vitellius A, viii, containing the Annals of Lacock, the words "Obiit Will's lungespe comes Sarum" are written opposite the year 1226, in the hand which ceases to make further entries in 1275.

(4) The Seal of St. Nicholas' Hospital, Salisbury, which appears to be of early thirteenth century date, certainly not later than 1245, reads ✠ SIGILL'. DOMVS. HOSPITALIS BEATI. NICHOLAI. SARVM. This seems to be the earliest instance I have yet come across.

On the other hand, in the Latin poem on the removal of

the Cathedral, which is printed in the *Wilts Archæological Magazine*, No. 91 (June, 1899), p. 210 ff., the word Sarum is not used, *e.g.*—

"Ecclesiam cur transtulerit Salesberiensem
Presul Ricardus insinuare volo.
Mons Salesberie quasi Gelboe mons maledictus", etc.,

and at the end, "Explicit de ecclesia Saresb."

We may reasonably conclude that the author of this poem, had he been familiar with the form "Sarum", would not have used "Salesberiensis", which is much harder to fit into a Latin hexameter verse, and thus the conjecture may be hazarded that the form "Sarum" began, as is generally, I think, agreed, in a convenient misreading of the contraction "saꝝ" early in the thirteenth century, but that for a considerable time, about a century, it did not come into use for what may be called "full dress" occasions, such as seals of dignity; indeed it never was commonly used on their seals by the Bishops of Salisbury until the Reformation.

W. G. Clark Maxwell.

PANTON AND SELFE.

1741, July 27th Admon. [P.P.C.] of goods, chattels and credits of Ann Selfe, late of Melksham, widow, was granted to Cecilia Panton, widow and mother of deceased.

Kington Baker.

Will of Cecilia Panton.

[P.C.C., 290 Potter.]

1744, June 20.—Cecilia Panton, of Batheaston, co. Somerset, widow; to be buried in Batheaston Church, near daughter Ann Selfe; to grandson, John Kington of Jaggards, co. Wilts, gent., all freehold lands, tenements, and hereditaments, situate in the parish of Batheaston or elsewhere, to hold to him and his heirs for ever subject to the payment of debts and funeral expenses, and the following legacies, viz.: £5 apiece to Mr. Mark Hall, vicar of Batheaston, his son John Hall, cousin Jane Tuck; £5 to poor of Batheaston, and 5*s.* apiece to 6 poor men who shall support my body to the grave; £10 apiece to my servant maid

Mary Hulbert, Mr. Buckler Weeks of Bristol, and cousin Thomas Scudamore; £5 apiece to John, George, James, William, Richard, Hannah, and Susannah Scudamore, and Betty, wife of John Moor, children of my said cousin Thomas Scudamore; £10 to cousin Mary Coats, widow, another child of my said cousin Thomas Scudamore; 10 guineas to friend Harry Witts of Tetbury, co. Gloucester, gent.; my picture to godson Simon Crane; legacies of certain furniture in dwelling house at Batheaston to cousin Elizabeth, wife of John Smith, Esquire, and to my sd. servant girl, Mary Hulbert, and her mother, Mary Hulbert; 20s. to Ann Llewellin; residue of goods, chattels, and credits, and personal estate to sd. grandson, John Kington, residuary legatee.

Sd. Harry Weeks, Thomas Scudamore, sd. Buckler Weeks, exors.

Proved 7th Nov. 1747, by sd. Thomas Scudamore; power reserved to make grant to the other exors.

Queries.

A Wiltshire Astrologer.—Is anything further known of the following local production, issued at the commencement of Elizabeth's reign?

Prognostication for the year 1560 "Practysed in Salisburye by Maister Henry Lou, Doctour in Phisike, dwellynge nere to the Close Gate."

London: printed by Henry Sutton, in Pater noster row.

Was it continued yearly, and who was the Author?

E. K.

Duke Family.—The undersigned would be grateful to any one who would give the place of any of the following marriages:—

George Duke, of Lake, with Elizabeth, dau. of Sir Geo. Ayliffe, Knt., of Robson; about 1639.

Robert Duke, of Lake, with Jane Freke; about 1695.

Robert Duke, of Lake, with Frances Blake; about 1722.

George Duke, of Andover, with Sarah Hanson; about 1721.

Edward Duke, of Hungerford, with Fanny Field; 1771.

(Rev.) R. E. H. Duke.

Maltby Rectory,
Alford, Lincolnshire.

Ship Inn, Mere.—The interesting query on Richard Hewse on p. 519 reminds me of the beautiful piece of iron-work, from which is suspended the sign of this old inn. Is anything known of this work of art, or of the house, which has a fine staircase and drawing-room, and whence its name?

A. J. S.

Replies.

Eyre and Dauntsey (vol. iv, p. 183).—It is dangerous to speculate in genealogical matters, but there is only one John Eyre of Wedhampton and Chaldfield, answering to this John Eyre, that is to say, John Eyre of Wedhampton in Urchfont, who m. Anne Tropnell.

This marriage settlement evidently is that of the said John Eyre with Elizabeth Dauntsey, as his second wife; she is not mentioned in *Hoare* as his wife, nor in *Visitation* of 1623; this may be because there was no issue. The said John Eyre died September 22, 1581 (Chaldfield Registers). In 1605, Jan. 30, is recorded amongst the burials, "Eliz. Eyre, Gent.". The only Eliz. Eyre answering to this is Eliz. Eyre *née* Dauntsey, as John Eyre had no daughter named Elizabeth, and his son's (Sir William Eyre) second wife Elizabeth was bur. 1622, Mar. 26. It is to be noted that the settlement is of his lands in his own inheritance of Urchfont, and not of any of the Tropnell estate, which were probably secured to his son William.

I should conclude that, though unrecorded by Hoare and not noted by the Heralds, this must be the second but unrecorded marriage of the John Eyre whose first wife was Anne Tropnell. Hoare is very unreliable, and the heralds probably not much better; I note an error of theirs in funeral entry of the first John Eyre of Eyrecourt, and lately I had to disprove a pedigree granted by them on "Family Tradition".

A. S. H.

Frances, Duchess of Somerset (vol. iv, p. 432).—"The carotty locks" mentioned in your March number suggest a reason for a curious picture of this lady now in my possession. It is an exact replica of an emblematic portrait of Queen Elizabeth as "The Perfect Wife", numbered 281 in the Tudor Exhibition, with merely a change of the small face. On the back is an inscription, "Frances Thynne, grand-daughter of Thomas Viscount Weymouth, and wife to Algernon, Duke of Somerset", and again, "The Rt. Hon. Frances Thynne, Countess of Hartford, anno ætatis 28, domini 1727".

> "The long-discarded Ruff, with locks like these,
> Ev'n now, as once in days of yore, can please.
> O artist! were thy pencil more refined,
> And with the body wouldst thou paint the mind;
> Then would a Hertford's beauteous soul confess
> Eliza's virtues as Eliza's dress!"

Was not the Duchess the last Seymour who occupied their house at Marlborough, now the College?

J. H. Parry.

An Early Wilts Settler in New England (vol. iv, p. 466). I have looked through the Digest of Quaker Registers for Wiltshire, and do not find any entry of either "Brothers" or "Draper". Norman Penney.

Wig Curlers (vol. iv, p. 457).—Some of these objects found a few years ago, between Highgate and Barnet, include several specimens of the exact type described by Canon Wordsworth, having the letters W. B. and a crown impressed in the clay at each end. Others, as amongst those found at Marlborough, are quite plain. The letters W. A. also occur here. They are made of a rather coarse pipe-clay. Remains of tobacco pipes, of like material, are found in the same district, and it appears probable that both were manufactured here, in consequence of the facilities afforded by suitable beds of clay.

These clay "pipes or bilboquets" seem in turn to have

been superseded by similar shaped articles made of wood (preferably of box, as imbibing less water), the reason, we are told, being that when placed on the stove the clay "became so hot as to make the hair too crisp".

Does the occurrence of these objects, apparently of late seventeenth century date, point to the trade of peruke making, carried out to some extent in Marlborough at this period—and are similar specimens known to have been found in other parts of Wiltshire? E. K.

Notes on Books.

THE ANTIQUARY, an illustrated Magazine devoted to the Study of the Past. Price Sixpence. London: Elliot Stock, 62, Paternoster Row.

This, an old friend and a deservedly popular Magazine, is now celebrating its silver—we hope it may live to celebrate its golden—jubilee, and with the new year will commence the first volume of a new and enlarged series; it will be provided with a new cover design, and will be increased in size by an additional sheet of eight pages. Another section will be added, called "At the Sign of the Owl", treating of books of archæological interest, and the literary side of antiquarianism in general. The price will continue to be the same.

An advance copy of the first number is in our hands, and one of the papers during the coming year will be "Stonehenge, its relative position with regard to other Ancient Works", by Mr. J. Houghton Spencer.

In an article on "Pitt the Younger as a Barrister", is mention of his being employed at Salisbury, in the summer of 1781, by Mr. Samuel Petrie, as junior counsel in some bribery causes that had resulted from the Cricklade Election Petition.

We wish it a happy new year, and many of them.

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